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(Shock waves, numerical simulation.)  
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WIND AND MAGNETOSPHERIC PARAMETERS  
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A magnetic field model with a (locally) super-  
posed uniform external field is used to study the  
effects of the magnetospheric field intensity by the  
relationship between the convection pattern in  
the polar cap and the interplanetary magnetic  
field (IMF). It is found that as the IMF  
polar cap size increases, the overall electric  
field intensity decreases, and the dependence of  
the local "open" flux on the magnitude and direc-  
tion of the IMF weakens. In addition, the tail  
field intensity decreases significantly between the  
convection pattern corresponding to "solar"  
and "noisy" IMF sectors, respectively. In the  
southern (northern) polar cap, features such as  
polar cap boundary displacements and electric  
field intensity gradients are more pronounced  
than the earth's in the "solar" (noisy) sector.  
On the other hand, in the case of a northward  
(southward) IMF, current convection in the north  
(south) polar cap is extended over a larger area  
for a "solar" (noisy) sector. Since electric field  
results should apply to periods around  
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tospheric electric fields**  
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EXTERNALLY DRIVEN MAGNETIC RECONNECTION VERSUS  
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Theoretical estimates as well as numerical  
simulations show that while a resistive tearing  
mode instability saturates at a low flow  
velocity, an externally driven reconnection,  
however weakly driven, brings a new nonlinear  
state with strong plasma jet which separates  
out bearing mode from magnetic islands. This  
result suggests that the externally induced  
reconnection is more than likely a candidate  
for amplifying phenomena such as magnetospheric  
reconnection, substorm, solar flares. (Magnetic  
fields, reconnection, substorm, solar flares.)  
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**5129 Magnetospheric**  
THE MAGNETOSPHERIC FIELD AS SEEN BY ENERGETIC PARTICLES,  
MAGNETIC FIELD, AND PLASMA MEASUREMENTS ON  
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The position of the trapping boundary for  $\geq 24$   
keV ions in the vicinity of the magnetopause has  
been determined using energetic particle data.  
1. These observations have been compared with  
simultaneous plasma and magnetic field measure-  
ments for the 0130-0138 UT interval on 20 November  
1977. The results show that for this interval,  
the magnetopause plasma penetration depth into  
the magnetosphere can be limited to a distance  
of 100 km inside the position of the trapping boundary.  
2. During this time the trapping boundary  
was in the magnetosphere at a distance of 200 km  
from the magnetopause. This motion can be explained  
as a result of the magnetopause plasma penetra-  
tion into the magnetosphere. The trapping bound-  
ary is located inside the trapping region. If the  
trapping boundary is located inside the trapping  
region, then the observation of magnetospheric  
plasma penetration into the magnetosphere  
trapping boundary indicates that magnetospheric  
plasma is able to penetrate into closed field  
lines. (Magnetospheric boundary layer, energetic  
particles.)  
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**5180 Wave propagation**  
THEORY AND COMPUTER SIMULATIONS OF MAGNETOSPHERIC  
VLF-LOW-FREQUENCY EMISSIONS  
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A theory of magnetospheric VLF emissions must  
account for following features: (a) the  
triggering of monochromatic emissions by signals  
of sufficient strength and duration, while the  
background noise and weak short signals are not  
amplified; and (b) the occurrence of frequency  
changes after the emissions have reached a  
sufficiently large amplitude. A nonlinear  
mechanism inhibiting these features, with fixed  
and varying frequencies, is examined analytically  
and by computer simulation techniques. This  
mechanism depends on a simultaneous propagation  
and amplification of wave packets along  
geomagnetic lines to maintain the nonuniformity  
ratio  $K_{\text{eff}}/K_0$  in the region  $[10^{-3}, 10^{-2}]$ , corre-  
sponding to maximum amplification. (a) is the  
geomagnetic field and  $K_0$  is the wave speed  
field. For a constant frequency, this condition  
yields triggering thresholds which are related  
to the properties of the magnetosphere. For a  
varying frequency, it yields the condition  
 $\partial K_{\text{eff}}/\partial \omega = 0$  for the large-amplitude portion of the  
resonance, where  $\omega = \omega_{UH}$  denotes the trapping  
frequency of the wave.  
J. Geophys. Res., 86, Paper 11L752

**5180 Wave propagation**  
MULTIPLY REFLECTING STANDING ALFVÉN WAVES IN THE  
IONOSPHERE: PROPERTIES OF OBSERVATIONS  
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Observations from the Voyager 1 pass by the Io  
torus strongly indicate that large amplitude  
standing Alfvén waves are generated at Io and  
propagate along the magnetic field lines. These  
waves have a period of 10-20 s. Recently Durand and  
Garratt (1981) have proposed that this Io-generated  
torus Alfvén wave system accounts for an appreciable  
portion of the Io-L shell. In this paper, we present  
observations of magnetic perturbations found in  
the Pioneer 10 spacecraft as it crossed the Io-L shell.  
The field perturbations are qualitatively consistent  
with the passage of the spacecraft through a  
standing Alfvén wave pattern. The observations  
imply an Alfvén Mach number of 0.3, which is 1/3  
of the value inferred from Voyager 1 observations.  
This implies a lower plasma density at the time of  
the Pioneer 10 flyby. (Standing Alfvén waves, Io  
torus, Jupiter.)  
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**5199 General**  
LOCAL WIND ACCELERATION AND ION EMISSION OF  
THE SUPERSONAL REGION  
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Massachusetts, 02139), and Bruno Cogli  
It is shown that ions can be accelerated per-  
pendicular to the magnetic field lines by  
resonant interactions with lower hybrid waves.  
Taking into account the effects of the magnetic  
field inhomogeneity, we demonstrate that the  
accelerated portion of the ions of superthermal  
origin in the supersonic region of the magnetos-  
phere can give rise to ionospheric emissions and  
propagate upwards along the field lines. Thus,  
these ions can reach the region where they can  
be strongly decelerated by the field lines and  
distribution resulting from the combination  
of strong deceleration and the background  
ions can be significantly different from a thermal  
distribution and lead to the excitation of an  
emission line. (Ionospheric emissions, super-  
sonic flow, Paper 11L706)

## PHOTOCHEMISTRY IN PLANETARY ATMOSPHERES

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Theoretical studies of the photochemistry of plan-  
etary atmospheres (including those of the ancient and  
modern earth) are based on physical and chemical  
premises common to all. Widely varying paths of evo-  
lutionary history, atmospheric processes, solar fluxes,  
and temperature have produced vastly different atmo-  
spheres, however. Some of these similarities and  
differences are described in this paper, which is  
based in part on invited presentations at the Fall  
1980 AGU Meeting.

### Introduction

Ozone is a constituent of earth's atmosphere; it is  
also found in the atmosphere of Mars. Sulfur dioxide  
is a constituent of the atmosphere of Venus; it is also  
found in the atmosphere of Io. Methane may have  
been a constituent of the earth's ancient atmosphere;  
it is found today in the atmospheres of Titan, Jupiter,  
and Saturn. Can chemists explain these similarities  
between systems so different in their physical prop-  
erties?

Over the last decade and a half, considerable pro-  
gress has been made in the study of the chemistry of  
the atmospheres of the planets and their larger satel-  
lites (some of the characteristics of which are listed  
in Table 1). Much of the early research (in the middle  
and late sixties) was stimulated by NASA's program of  
exploration of Mars and Venus by the Mariner  
spacecraft. These early studies were largely con-  
cerned with the photochemistry of the carbon dioxide  
(CO<sub>2</sub>) atmospheres of Mars and Venus and of the sta-  
bility of these predominantly CO<sub>2</sub> atmospheres  
against photolysis by solar ultraviolet radiation.

In the 1970's, there was a sharp increase in public

concern over issues related to the chemistry of the  
earth's atmosphere, particularly the impact of anthro-  
pogenic activities on the composition of the global  
atmosphere and on climate. Although for several  
decades the chemistry of urban air pollution had been a  
clearly recognized local problem, only recently have  
the effects of anthropogenic activities on the global  
atmosphere been recognized as potentially  
significant. National and international concern has  
centered on the possible inadvertent depletion of  
stratospheric ozone (O<sub>3</sub>), which protects the surface  
of earth from potentially harmful solar ultraviolet  
(200-300 nm) radiation. Atmospheric chemists have  
studied the possible depletion of stratospheric O<sub>3</sub> by  
a variety of anthropogenic activities: nitrogen oxides  
(NO<sub>x</sub> = NO + NO<sub>2</sub>) produced by high altitude super-  
sonic transports, chlorofluorocarbons released from a  
variety of sources, and enhanced levels of nitrous  
oxide (N<sub>2</sub>O) resulting from increased global use of  
nitrogen fertilizers.

Atmospheric chemists have also studied the  
effects of anthropogenic activities on the quality of  
the air that we breathe, on vegetation, and on the  
chemistry of natural bodies of water. These studies  
have included formation and deposition of acid pre-  
cipitation and the possible effect of enhanced levels  
of CO<sub>2</sub> resulting from increased burning of fossil fuels  
(particularly coal) on the earth's climate.

Several anthropogenic activities have been  
identified as significant sources of various gases to  
the regional and global troposphere, including CO<sub>2</sub>  
and sulfur dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>) from fossil fuel burning, NO<sub>x</sub>  
and carbon monoxide (CO) from internal combustion  
engines, and ammonia (NH<sub>3</sub>) resulting from coal  
conversion and combustion and from the volatilization  
of nitrogen-containing agricultural fertilizer. Several  
of these anthropogenic gases initiate chemical reac-  
tions that lead to the production of other gases and  
atmospheric aerosols. Near the ground, CO is  
involved in a complex series of chemical reactions  
that leads to the formation of O<sub>3</sub>, which is both a pol-  
lutant and an irritant. Anthropogenic NO<sub>x</sub> and SO<sub>2</sub>  
lead to the chemical production of nitric acid (HNO<sub>3</sub>)  
and sulfuric acid (H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>), respectively, the two dom-  
inant acids in rain and snow. Anthropogenic NH<sub>3</sub>,  
NO<sub>x</sub>, and SO<sub>2</sub> lead to the chemical production of  
atmospheric aerosols (i.e., ammonium nitrate and  
ammonium sulfate). These aerosols affect visibility  
and may alter the earth's radiation balance by per-  
turbating the natural ultraviolet, visible, and infrared  
energy fluxes. During the coming decades, energy  
generation and industrial and agricultural activities  
may increase at a very rapid rate, and atmospheric  
chemists are attempting to predict the effects of such  
growth on the chemistry of the future atmosphere.

Coincident with these efforts to predict the future,  
others are looking back in time to study the origin and  
evolution of the earth's atmosphere. Atmospheric  
chemists are studying the chemical composition of  
the early atmosphere and how that composition varied  
over geological time. They are attempting to deduce  
the atmospheric conditions on the early earth that  
were involved in the chemical evolution of the com-  
plex molecules (the building blocks of life) and subse-  
quently to biological evolution on our planet.

During the last decade, planetary exploration flour-  
ished, with sophisticated interplanetary spacecraft  
probing the atmospheres of Venus, Mars, Jupiter,  
Saturn, and the satellites of Jupiter and Saturn. The  
Mariner, Viking, Pioneer, and Voyager spacecraft  
transmitted new and exciting information about these  
planets and provided atmospheric chemists with an  
unparalleled opportunity to study the chemistry of  
their atmospheres. Thus, it is not surprising that the  
last decade has been one of tremendous progress in  
our understanding of the chemistry of the earth's  
atmosphere — past, present and future — and of the  
atmospheres of the other planets. Against this back-  
ground the American Geophysical Union organized a  
day long symposium on "The Photochemistry of  
Planetary Atmospheres" during the Fall 1980 meeting

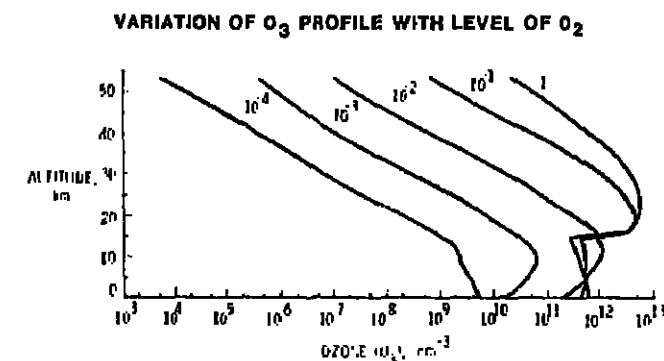


Fig. 1. Theoretical calculations of ozone profiles as a  
function of molecular oxygen level (in terms of present  
atmospheric level) in the earth's ancient atmosphere. (J. S.  
Levine, T. R. Augenstein, R. E. Boughner, M. Natarajan, and  
J. Seaks, in *Comets and the Origin of Life*, edited by C. Pon-  
namperuma, D. Reidel, Hingham, Mass., 1981.)

In San Francisco. In a series of invited papers, 14  
atmospheric chemists reviewed the recent progress in  
their areas and identified the problems for future  
research. This report is a summary of our current  
knowledge of planetary photochemistry, based in part  
on the presentations of the symposium.

### The Earth's Ancient Atmosphere

James C. G. Walker (University of Michigan)  
began the session with a paper entitled "Chemical  
Evolution of the Atmosphere." From the standpoint of  
the atmospheric chemist, the early earth is like  
another planet, with distinct bulk atmospheric compo-  
sition, solar luminosity, rotation rate, and tectonic prop-  
erties. Data on the properties of the paleoatmo-  
sphere have been preserved, albeit imperfectly, in the  
sedimentary rock record.

The rock record begins 3.8 billion years (b.y.) ago  
with highly metamorphosed sediments at Isua in west  
Greenland. These rocks indicate an early atmosphere  
containing H<sub>2</sub>O and CO<sub>2</sub> and without abundant  
methane (CH<sub>4</sub>). A diverse biota existed by 3.5 b.y.  
ago, as demonstrated by remains discovered in the  
Warrawoona Rock Group of western Australia. The  
continued presence of life sets constraints upon the  
temperature and composition of the paleoatmosphere.

The bulk composition of the atmosphere — paleo  
and present — depends on complex interactions  
between atmosphere, ocean, crust, and biota.  
Interpretation of the rock record is providing an  
increasingly clear picture of how these interactions  
may have been different on the early earth. Of impor-  
tance is a gradual increase with time of the area of  
dry land. At about 2.5 b.y. ago, there was a relatively  
rapid increase in the area of continental crust.

Oceanic composition was dominated by interaction  
with the mantle of the early earth. It was a reducing  
medium, probably saturated with ferrous iron. The  
continental influence on oceanic composition did not  
become apparent until the end of the Archean, 2.5 b.y.  
ago. Theoretical studies of the rates of tidal energy  
dissipation indicate that the day was about 15 hours  
long for the first few billion years of earth history.

The geologic record of climatically sensitive sedi-  
mentary rocks suggests a climate not very different  
from that of the last few hundred million years of  
earth history. This information, coupled with increas-  
ing solar luminosity, can be interpreted to provide  
estimates of the partial pressure of CO<sub>2</sub> in the ancient  
atmosphere (these estimates are a few hundred times  
the present CO<sub>2</sub> value). The rock record concerning  
the reduction/oxidation state of the atmosphere and  
hydrophere is particularly rich. Oxidized minerals  
first began to form about 2.3 b.y. ago. By about 1.7  
b.y. ago both the atmosphere and hydrophere con-  
tained enough oxygen (O<sub>2</sub>) to support aerobic life.

Joel S. Levine (NASA Langley Research Center)  
reviewed the "Photochemistry of the Paleoaemo-



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**Cover.** The 7-m antenna and 0.8-m secondary aperture used at  
Bell Laboratories, Crawford Hill, New Jersey, for centimeter wave  
space-earth propagation experiments. These experiments mea-  
sured radio signal amplitude scintillation caused by turbulence in  
clouds and depolarization and attenuation caused by solid and liq-  
uid hydrometeors. Signal sources were 19 and 28 GHz beacons  
on geosynchronous COMSTAR satellites. The 7-m antenna is also  
used for millimeter wave radio astronomy. (From D. C. Cox et al.,  
Observations of cloud-produced amplitude scintillation on 19- and  
28-GHz earth-space paths, *Radio Science*, 16(5), 885-907, 1981.)

TABLE 1  
Physical Properties of Planetary Atmospheres

	Radius (km)	Solar Dist. (A.U.)	T (°K)	P (atm)	Main Atmospheric Gases
Earth (Ancient)	6378	1.0	160-300	1.00-1.25	CO <sub>2</sub> , N <sub>2</sub> , CO (CH <sub>4</sub> , PN <sub>2</sub> , H <sub>2</sub> )
Earth (Troposphere)	6378	1.0	270-300	0.1-1	N <sub>2</sub> , O <sub>2</sub> (CO <sub>2</sub> , H <sub>2</sub> )
Earth (Stratosphere)	6382	1.0	210-270	.001-1	N <sub>2</sub> , O <sub>2</sub> (CO <sub>2</sub> , O <sub>3</sub> )
Earth (Mesosphere)	6378	1.0	180-270	10 <sup>-4</sup> -10 <sup>-3</sup>	N <sub>2</sub> , O <sub>2</sub> (CO <sub>2</sub> )
Venus	6200	0.7	800-900	10 <sup>-1</sup> -1	CO <sub>2</sub> (N <sub>2</sub> )
Mars	3400	1.6	140-280	10 <sup>-8</sup> -8X10 <sup>-8</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> (N <sub>2</sub> )
Jupiter	71400	5.2	110-180	.001-2	H <sub>2</sub> , He
Saturn	60400	9.5	90-160	.001-2	H <sub>2</sub> , He
Uranus	23800	19.2	60-160	.001-5	H <sub>2</sub> , CH <sub>4</sub>
Neptune	22300	30.0	60-160	.001-10	H <sub>2</sub>
Pluto	3000	29.8	50-80	10 <sup>-4</sup> -5X10 <sup>-5</sup>	CH <sub>4</sub>
Titan	2560	9.5	~90	~1.5	N <sub>2</sub> (CH <sub>4</sub> )
Trilon	2600	30.0	~80	~10 <sup>-4</sup>	H <sub>2</sub> , N <sub>2</sub> , Ar, CH <sub>4</sub>



sphere. As was previously noted, the chemical composition and evolution of the paleoatmosphere were controlled by a strong coupling between the atmosphere, the oceans, the solid earth, and, eventually, the biosphere. The composition was also modified by various atmospheric processes, including photochemical reactions (initiated by the action of solar ultraviolet radiation, which was considerably more intense in the  $O_2$ -deficient paleoatmosphere), chemical reactions, lightning, rainout, and the exospheric escape of light atmospheric gases. Photochemical studies of the paleoatmosphere can be divided into three main areas of research: (1) the photochemistry and stability of the early anaerobic atmosphere, (2) the chemical transition to an oxidizing atmosphere, and (3) the origin and evolution of atmospheric  $O_3$ , with the accompanying shielding of the earth's surface from lethal solar ultraviolet radiation.

Since the early laboratory experiments on chemical evolution, in which complex organic molecules (the precursors of living systems) were synthesized in mixtures of  $NH_3$  and  $CH_4$  exposed to ultraviolet radiation or laboratory electric discharges, it became fashionable to believe that the prebiological primitive atmosphere contained large amounts of  $NH_3$  and  $CH_4$ . However, photochemical calculations indicate that such an early prebiological atmosphere would have been highly unstable against photolysis by solar ultraviolet radiation and, hence, would have been very short lived, on a geological time scale, if it ever existed at all. In addition, there is no geological or geochemical evidence in the rock record to support such a highly reducing early atmosphere. A more mildly reducing atmosphere of  $N_2$ ,  $CO_2$ ,  $CO$ , and  $H_2$  (resulting from volcanic outgassing) is now favored by photochemical, geological, and geochemical considerations. Complex organic molecules have been synthesized in such laboratory mixtures. Recent photochemical calculations also indicate that large amounts of nitrates (formed by lightning) and formaldehyde (formed by atmospheric reactions) could have been transported to the early ocean by precipitation in the  $O_2$ -deficient paleoatmosphere.

The transition from a reducing paleoatmosphere to an oxidizing atmosphere resulted from the build up of atmospheric  $O_2$ . Photochemical calculations indicate that the photolysis of  $H_2O$ , with the accompanying exospheric escape of  $H$ , was probably not a significant source of  $O_2$  over geological time. The inefficient exospheric escape of  $H$  (comparable to today's value) and the volcanic outgassing of  $H_2$  lead to efficient reformation of  $H_2O$ , at the expense of  $O_2$  build up. In the prebiological paleoatmosphere,  $O_2$  was not evenly mixed with altitude, but had a concentration of about  $10^{-12}$  present atmospheric level (P.A.L.) or less at the surface, and a maximum concentration of about  $10^{-8}$  P.A.L. at about 40 km. It appears that photosynthetic activity was the major source of atmospheric  $O_2$ , although there is considerable uncertainty as to the exact chronology for the build up of atmospheric  $O_2$  over geological time.

Recently, a great deal of research has centered on the origin and evolution of  $O_3$ , which was strongly coupled to the build up of  $O_2$  (see Figure 1). The evolution of  $O_3$  and the variation of solar ultraviolet radiation reaching the surface of the earth over geological time (which is controlled by  $O_3$ ) may have had very important implications for the origin and evolution of life on our planet. Studies on the evolution of  $O_3$  have been based on detailed one-dimensional tropospheric/stratospheric photochemical models that include the chemistry of the oxygen, nitrogen, hydrogen, carbon, and chlorine gases. These studies have shed new light on the photochemistry of the paleoatmosphere (for  $O_2$  levels of  $10^{-4}$  P.A.L. to the present). In the  $O_2$ -deficient paleoatmosphere, the enhanced level of solar ultraviolet radiation rendered photolytic destruction the primary loss mechanism for  $N_2O$ ,  $N_2$ , and  $O$  being the products. (In the present atmosphere,  $N_2O$  is largely oxidized to  $NO_x$ , thus becoming involved in the stratospheric ozone cycle.) The enhanced levels of solar ultraviolet radiation in the  $O_2$ -deficient paleoatmosphere also resulted in the efficient production of OH via the photolysis of  $H_2O$  resulting in surface and atmospheric levels of OH several orders of magnitude greater than in the present atmosphere. The sensitivity of paleoatmospheric  $O_3$  to varying values for solar luminosity, atmospheric temperature, vertical eddy transport, and trace atmospheric gases have been assessed in these studies.

### The Earth's Present Atmosphere

T. E. Graedel (Bell Laboratories) discussed the 'Photochemistry of the Regional Troposphere.' The chemistry of the regional troposphere (a regime defined as encompassing distance scales of the order of 10–1000 km) is intertwined with, but not dominated by, meteorological motions and local emission sources. The time scales of the air motions prescribe the chemical lifetimes of interest, ~1 hour to 5 days, and thus define the species whose chemistry must be studied. These include ammonia, the oxides of nitrogen, the sulfur-containing compounds hydrogen sulfide ( $H_2S$ ) and sulfur dioxide ( $SO_2$ ), and many alkenes, terpenes, aromatics, and aldehydes.

The following are among the regional tropospheric problems of current interest:

1. Downwind Effect. The concentrations of a variety of photochemical products are known to be higher downwind than in the vicinity of the precursor,

## Forum

### Trend Toward Multiple Authors in Research Publications: Failure of the Universities to Support Research

In a previous letter to this column (Fraser-Smith, 1979) one of us drew attention to the marked decline since 1950 in the percentage of single-author papers in the *Journal of Geophysical Research*, *1*, *Space Physics* (JGR 1) and the commensurate increase in the percentage of articles by three or more authors. The decline in single authors is certainly not confined to JGR 1, as is shown by more recent work (according to the Institute for Scientific Information, which indexes 2800 journals, the average number of authors per paper rose from 1.67 to 2.58 between 1960 and 1980) (Broad, 1981), so it seems clear that there is a widespread change taking place in the way scientists report the results of their research. It is perhaps important for us to point out that this is not an academic change; it is taking place right now, and most readers of this column are likely to be affected by it.

There is undoubtedly an element of fashion involved in the decline of single authors, and it may well be that what we are all experiencing individually as scientists is a subtle process of rhinocerotization, as described in the play by Ionesco (1960). However, it would be unusual for a fashion to persist for 30 years or more unless other more substantive factors were involved. The question is, what are these factors?

It would be easy to blame the federal government for the change that is occurring in our reporting habits (see Price, 1981) since funding of research by federal agencies first became significant in the 1950's and, as we all know, it has grown remarkably since. However, an extension of the earlier work on authors, as suggested to us by C. T. Russell, indicates that the changes in the numbers of authors per article are not linked directly to the growth in federal funding. In fact, we will argue that a more important reason for the decline in single authors is a lack of support by our universities.

Following the suggestion by Russell, we reanalyzed our multiple-author data for JGR 1 according to the acknowledged sources of support for the work. Needless to say, our new data are less quantitative than before, but the trends, as illustrated in the figure, are probably accurate. Shown in the figure are the variations since 1950 in the percentages of papers acknowledging NASA, NSF, or ONR support (these are the three most frequently acknowledged agencies in JGR 1), or no support. Note that it is the percentages of papers in each category that are plotted (one, two, three or more authors), and thus the trends in the number of authors per article previously discussed should not be evident. Clearly, the percentage of papers with no acknowledgment of support has decreased substantially in every author category since 1950, with the most marked decrease occurring in the papers by either one or two authors. Sadly, the percentage of papers acknowledging support from ONR, the first of the U.S. government research funding agencies, has also declined. However, NASA and NSF support has increased substantially and has more than made up for the decline in ONR support. The most interesting feature of the increase since 1980 in the percentage of papers acknowledging support from NASA and NSF is that it takes place in all author categories. In other words, the advent of large-scale federal funding cannot be held directly responsible for the precipitous decline in single-authored papers since 1950.

A possible clue to another cause of the decline is obtained by comparing the acknowledgements in single-authored papers for 1960 and 1980. It was rather common in 1960 for single authors affiliated with U.S. universities to omit acknowledgment of a source of funds for their research (29% of the relevant authors fall into this category; the percentage is even greater in earlier years), whereas in 1980, essentially all such authors acknowledge a source of funds outside their university (only 3% fail to acknowledge support). This result is open to a variety of interpretations, but it appears that an entire class of researchers may have disappeared in the interval 1960–1980: the university researcher, usually a tenured professor, supported solely by university funds. If this is the case, a prime source of diversity and originality in research has undoubtedly been lost. One has only to read the recent comments by Willenbrock (1981) on the decline in U.S. technological leadership to realize that this loss has implications beyond the mere authorship of scientific papers.

We will not dwell on the advantages of U.S. government research contracts and grants to the universities or on the pressures that are exerted on university faculty and staff to bring in federal funds for research. Instead, we wish to point out that there is an alternative but neglected way to support research at universities. Once again the clue is provided by the acknowledgment sections of the papers we have analyzed. On a very few occasions, support from research funds administered by a university is acknow-

emissions. This effect, an example of which is shown in Figure 3, is qualitatively understandable as a consequence of the interplay between the chemical reaction times of the emitters and the wind velocity. Recent model studies show promise of being able to reproduce this effect quantitatively as well. Detailed measurements are needed to guide further model development.

2. Fate of Terpenes. Terpenes are emitted from vegetation in large, though uncertain, amounts. It has

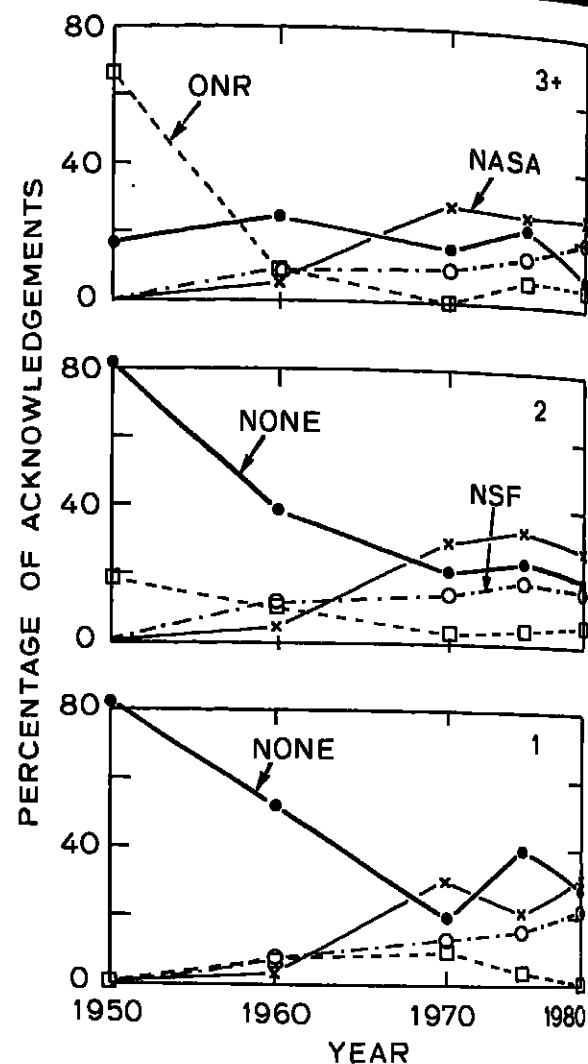


Fig. 1. Variation since 1950 in the acknowledgements of NASA, NSF, and ONR financial support in papers with one (bottom panel), two (middle), and three or more (3+, top panel) authors published in the *Journal of Geophysical Research*. Also shown is the variation in the proportion of papers with no acknowledgment of financial support. The percentages that are plotted apply to each author category.

edged [e.g., Schwind et al., 1980; Rankin and Kurtz, 1970]. We might ask why these acknowledgements are so low. It appears that the ready availability of federal funds for research in the past has blinded university research administrators to the advantages of a general research fund, established and increased by gifts and bequests, whose income is used solely to fund internal (or even external) research proposals. Some of the strings normally attached to federal funds, long bemoaned by these administrators, can be avoided, and a wider range of research can be undertaken. In keeping with the particular objectives of the universities. Most important, the disturbing possibility that the federal funds for particular programs of research can be eliminated by the efforts of small groups of congressmen, or even a single U.S. senator, as appears to be happening now in the case of the NASA-funded Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence (SETI) program, can be more easily avoided.

It might be argued that U.S. universities cannot afford to support research out of their own funds. We disagree. Large sums are raised each year from alumni, companies, and other sources, particularly at what are termed the 'major research universities' (i.e., universities that have been particularly successful at soliciting federal research funds), and even a small diversion of these funds each year into a university research fund (specifically earmarked for research) could soon produce significant income.

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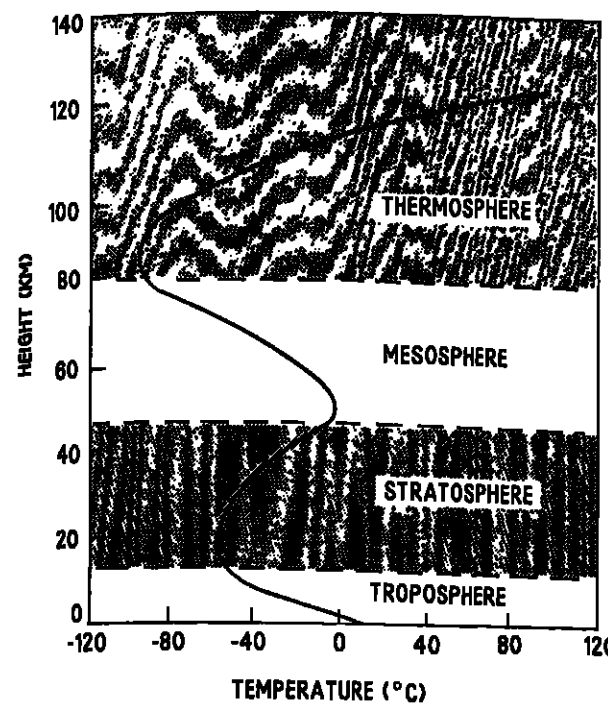


Fig. 2. The four principal layers of the earth's present atmosphere. The boundaries between the layers fluctuate somewhat with time and with geographical location.

meteorological motions, with apparently dramatic chemical consequences in some cases. Efforts to model these processes by combining detailed descriptions of organic and inorganic photochemistry and of boundary layer meteorology are in their infancy.

4. Aerosol Nucleation and Growth. Chemical evidence from airborne particulate matter implies that a rich chemistry occurs on particles as a result of their nucleation and growth from reactive gas molecules. Our understanding of these processes is poor and appears limited at present by theoretical uncertainties more than by lack of data, although the latter are surely scanty.

5. Acid Rain. It seems clear that oxides of sulfur and nitrogen emitted in the gas phase are responsible for the increasing acidity of precipitation in northern Europe, northeast United States, and other areas. The rates at which the gas-to-drop transitions occur, and, in fact, the mechanisms of that occurrence, are poorly known. A marriage of atmospheric chemistry, aerosol physics, and cloud physics may be required to reduce the problem to quantitative understanding.

The regional troposphere is probably the most chemically diverse of any of the planetary atmospheric regimes. Perhaps more than any other regime, it must blend emissions, meteorology, and chemistry to analyze properly the processes that occur. Its study is an example of the interdisciplinary requirements of modern atmospheric and planetary science.

William L. Chamides (Georgia Institute of Technology) reviewed the 'Photochemistry of The Global Troposphere.' Key elements of the tropospheric photochemical system are (1) the production of the free radical OH in the presence of solar radiation and (2) the emission of reduced gases from the earth's surface. Tropospheric OH triggers the oxidation of many of the reduced gases generated at the earth's surface and ultimately causes their transformation into chemical forms that are readily removed from the atmosphere by rainout and other heterogeneous processes. Thus, tropospheric photochemistry supplies the atmospheric link in the biogeochemical cycling of elements such as C, N, and S. In addition, this chemical system can perturb life systems by influencing important environmental parameters such as surface temperature (via the atmospheric 'Greenhouse Effect'), the acidity of rainfall (via the production of and incorporation in preprecipitation of  $H_2SO_4$  and  $HNO_3$ ), and the concentrations of potentially toxic species.

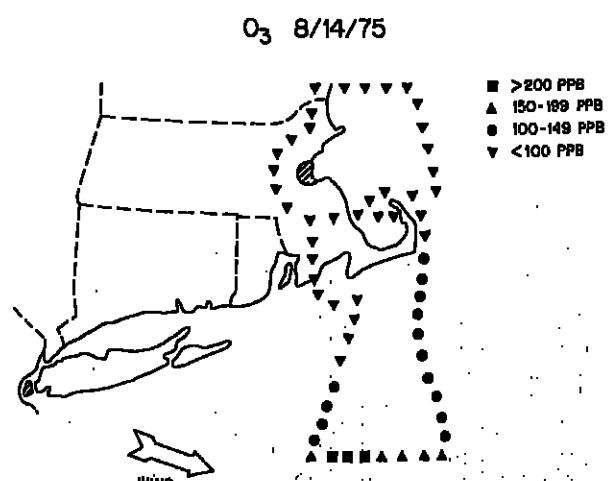


Fig. 3. Ozone concentrations at 330–490 m altitude off the coast of the northeastern United States on the afternoon of August 14, 1975. The highest concentrations were seen about 250 km east of the New York City metropolitan complex, a region of high precursor emission fluxes. Trajectory analysis demonstrated that the high ozone air mass passed over the metropolitan area during the morning of the day on which measurements were made. (After G. W. Siple, C. K. Fitzgerald, D. F. Zeller, and R. B. Evans, EPA-600/3-77-001a, Environ. Prot. Agency, Research Triangle Park, N.C., 1977.)

While many uncertainties remain, over the last decade great strides have been made in our understanding of the atmospheric cycles of the carbon compounds  $CH_4$  and  $CO$ , nitrogen oxides, ozone, and halogens. In each of these cycles, it has been found that OH plays a major role, and thus understanding the processes that control the OH abundance is of major importance. Because of its reactivity, the concentration of OH at any location is determined by a balance between photochemical production and destruction. OH production occurs as a result of the photolysis of  $O_3$  to produce a metastable oxygen atom ( $O(^1D)$ ) followed by the reaction of  $O(^1D)$  with  $H_2O$ . Reactions of OH with  $CO$  and  $CH_4$  are generally the major loss processes for OH in the remote troposphere.  $O_3$  and NO can lead to a further enhancement in OH levels by regenerating OH from  $HO_2$ , the  $HO_2$  having been produced by the  $CO$  and  $CH_4$  reactions with OH. Thus, an understanding of OH concentrations in the atmosphere requires a corresponding understanding of the atmospheric distributions of  $O_3$ ,  $H_2O$ ,  $CO$ ,  $CH_4$ , the nitrogen oxides, and perhaps the array of atmospheric hydrocarbons.

The recent National Science Foundation-sponsored Global Atmospheric Measurements Experiment of Tropospheric Aerosols and Gases (GAME-TAG) included simultaneous measurements of OH and many of the parameters that influence OH concentrations:  $CO$ ,  $CH_4$ ,  $O_3$ ,  $H_2O$ , ultraviolet flux, etc. Thus this experiment, by allowing a direct comparison of measured and model-calculated OH, has made possible the first quantitative test of the photochemical theory of tropospheric OH. Results for the tropical and subtropical marine boundary layer are quite encouraging. It is suggested, however, that a future project consisting of a more comprehensive set of trace gas measurements would afford a more rigorous test of OH chemistry and of other fast photochemical processes. It is also noted that a vigorous observational program to elucidate the detailed global distributions of key trace gases and their sources and sinks is still a major need in this field, as is the continued development of sophisticated photochemical models to analyze and simulate these data.

Barry J. Huebert (Colorado College) considered the 'Aerosol Chemistry of the Troposphere.' Because so many gases that cycle through the troposphere pass through a condensed phase at some point, we cannot fully understand their geochemical cycles without understanding their aerosol phases. Current areas of aerosol research include (1) measurements of particle sizes, compositions, and spatial distributions; (2) studies of the effect of aerosols on visibility, climate, and precipitation chemistry; and (3) investigations into the role aerosols play in trace gas chemistry.

In many cases the aerosol phase is a sink for trace gases. This gas-to-particle conversion includes such processes as the nucleation of new particles (after the reaction of  $SO_2$  with OH, for instance), the condensation of gases onto existing particles (as in the adsorption of  $HNO_3$  onto aerosols), and the heterogeneous reaction of adsorbed gases on particles that serve as catalysts. Aqueous phase chemistry can occur in the liquid layer surrounding solid particles in mists, fogs, and clouds.

Aerosols are not only sinks for gases, they can serve as a source when volatile gases are formed on or in the aerosol (as in the release of HCl from sea-spray) or when cloud droplets evaporate and release their dissolved gases.

We are only just beginning to appreciate the complex role of aerosols in the chemistry of the troposphere. Although we qualitatively understand the processes by which aerosols interact with atmospheric gases, our quantitative understanding is quite poor. Some models for aerosol growth do give fair agreement with chemically simple systems, but current models are generally unable to predict the relative rates of nucleation, condensation, and coagulation of the complex aerosols in the real atmosphere. We need better thermodynamic data for the impure condensed phases that form, as well as much additional theoretical and experimental work on the growth processes. Until we can predict gas-to-particle and particle-to-gas conversion rates, we will be unable to include meaningful source and loss terms in atmospheric trace-gas models. The situation is only slightly better for the measurement of aerosol composition and concentration. Although some non-volatile, noncondensable compounds can be collected and speciated nicely, many aerosol measurements are haunted by positive or negative artifacts from the sampling process. Aerosol chemistry desperately needs techniques that can identify specific chemical species in situ aerosols.

Ralph J. Cicerone (National Center for Atmospheric Research) summarized the 'Photochemistry of the Stratosphere' (the region of the atmosphere between 10 and 60 km above the surface). The stratospheric chemistry is controlled by the fluxes of gases from the troposphere and the mesosphere and by their interaction with solar ultraviolet and visible radiation. A major concern of scientists is the photochemistry of stratospheric  $O_3$ , and the possible inadvertent depletion of  $O_3$  owing to various anthropogenic activities (e.g., high flying supersonic transports, man-made chlorofluoromethanes (CFMs), and nitrogen fertilizers used in agriculture). About 90% of the total atmospheric  $O_3$  is found in the stratosphere. As was already pointed out, stratospheric  $O_3$  protects the surface of our planet from solar ultraviolet radiation (200–300 nm). The production of stratospheric  $O_3$  is initiated by

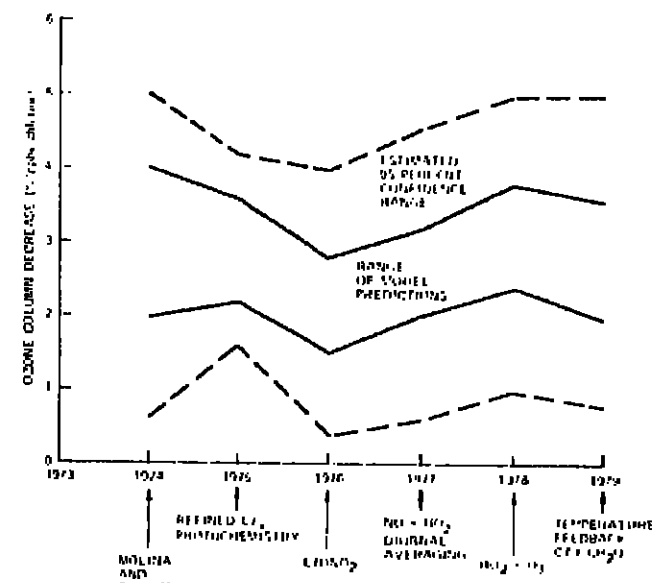


Fig. 4. Theoretical predictions of the eventual decrease in stratospheric ozone as a function of the time at which the prediction was made (courtesy of R. P. Turco).

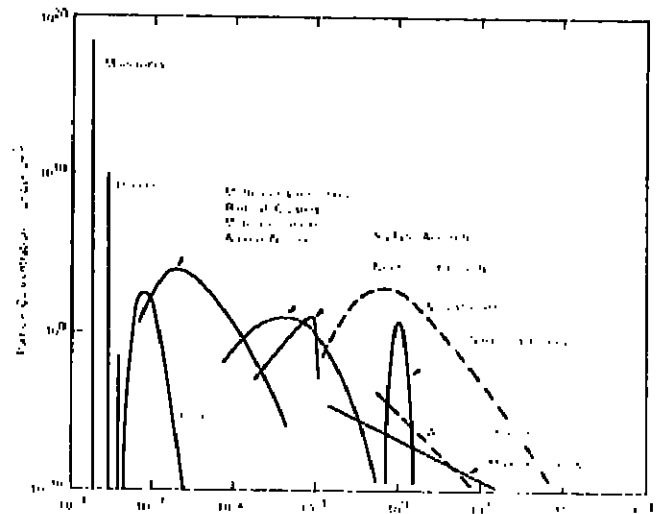


Fig. 5. The spectrum of particles in the earth's upper atmosphere. Shown are the approximate size distributions of particles of different origins. The total number concentration of each type of particle is roughly indicated by the peak value indicated on the vertical scale (courtesy of R. P. Turco).

the photolysis of molecular oxygen ( $O_2$ ) by solar ultraviolet radiation ( $\lambda < 242$  nm), resulting in the formation of two oxygen atoms ( $O$ ). The oxygen atoms recombine with  $O_2$  to form  $O_3$ . Stratospheric  $O_3$  is destroyed via photolysis and by reaction with atomic oxygen. In addition, stratospheric  $O_3$  is destroyed by reactions with species present in trace amounts, thousands of times less abundant than  $O_3$  itself. These species enter into catalytic cycles in which one molecule can destroy many  $O_3$  molecules before being removed itself. These catalytic cycles involve the oxides of nitrogen ( $NO_x$ ), hydrogen ( $HO_x$ ) and chlorine ( $ClO_x$ ). The major source of stratospheric  $NO_x$  is the reaction of nitrous oxide ( $N_2O$ ) with excited atomic oxygen. Nitrous oxide is produced by the action of microorganisms at the surface of the earth. The major source of  $HO_x$  in the stratosphere is the reaction of excited atomic oxygen with water vapor ( $H_2O$ ). The major source of stratospheric  $ClO_x$  is the photolysis of man-made chlorofluoromethanes (CFMs) (e.g.,  $CFCl_3$  and  $CF_2Cl_2$ ). Current model results suggest that the CFMs produce the largest ozone depletion. As updated information becomes available, model results fluctuate, however, as is shown in Figure 4. Inadequate computational power and the sparseness of stratospheric data will combine to make improved assessment difficult over at least the next few years.

'Particulates in the Middle Atmosphere' was the topic discussed by Richard P. Turco (R&D Associates). The middle atmosphere—the stratosphere and mesosphere between 15 and 90 km—is now known to contain a rich variety of particulate matter (Figure 6). Neutral and charged clusters of molecules, with radii ranging from 2 to 10 Å, are the most diminutive of atmospheric particles. Clustered positive and negative ions may combine to form stable multi-ion complexes with sizes between 10 and 50 Å. Meteoric smoke, which is produced by the ablation of interplanetary debris entering the upper atmosphere at high velocity, also occupies the small size range from about 5 to 100 Å. Micrometeorites that survive atmospheric entry dominate the size spectrum from about 1 to 10 µm. Sulfate aerosols of photochemical origin are present in a narrow layer between 15 and 25 km altitude. These volatile particles can grow to sizes of 0.1 to 1 µm. Volcanoes occasionally inject large quantities of ash and sulfur-bearing gases into the middle atmosphere. Such events can significantly increase the aerosol burden for a year or more.

Man can affect the concentrations of aerosols in the middle atmosphere both by direct injection of particles and by emission of gases that can condense into particles. Aluminum oxide dust from rocket engines has been found in large quantities at 20 km. Some industrial gases such as carbonyl sulfide and carbon disulfide can reach the stratosphere, then



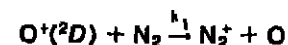
decompose, and subsequently form new sulfate aerosols.

A number of possible mechanistic roles have been suggested for the particles in the middle atmosphere. They may (1) serve as reaction sites for gases, (2) act as a sink for gases, (3) influence the global radiation balance, (4) nucleate nacreous and noctilucent clouds, and (5) provide a link between solar emission variations and tropospheric weather. Of these possibilities, only the second and third are well established at present, although the others are under active experimental and theoretical investigation.

Since the discovery of the permanent, ubiquitous stratospheric sulfate aerosol layer by Junge and coworkers two decades ago, these particles have been a subject of intense study using both in situ and remote sensing techniques. On the basis of such observations, we can say that the aerosols are probably composed of a 75% sulfuric acid aqueous solution, with an admixture of a variety of materials ranging from meteoric debris to nitrosyl compounds derived from stratospheric NO<sub>x</sub>. The mode of nucleation of the aerosols is uncertain and may involve tropospheric (Aiken), meteoric, ionic, and sulfur radical nuclei. The growth of the aerosols is largely controlled by the oxidation of sulfur-bearing gases which are transported into the stratosphere from the troposphere. The primary gaseous aerosol precursors are sulfur dioxide and carbonyl sulfide, both of which may have significant anthropogenic sources.

The effects of stratospheric aerosols on the global radiation balance are most noticeable following major volcanic eruptions, when the aerosol layer may be enhanced to the point that substantial temperature variations occur at the earth's surface. The May 18, 1980, eruption of Mt. St. Helens created dust-darkened skies and brilliant sunsets, dramatically demonstrating the optical perturbations that can be caused by volcanic aerosols. Recently, an increasing trend in the optical density of the background (non-volcanic) aerosol layer has been identified; one possible explanation is man's increasing usage of fossil fuel, with the attendant release of sulfur compounds to the atmosphere.

In a talk entitled "Photochemistry of the Mesosphere and Thermosphere," Douglas G. Torr (Utah State University) pointed out the influence of new data, largely acquired or simulated by satellite experiments, on the understanding of thermospheric chemistry. At the end of 1979, that chemistry appeared to have crystallized into a clearly understood form, mainly as a result of analyses conducted with data taken by the Atmospheric Explorer (AE) C, D, and E satellites. To maintain consistency with laboratory measurements of the processes that destroy the N<sub>2</sub> ionization, it was found that the rate coefficient for the charge exchange reaction



must be less than  $10^{-10} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ , that is, an order of magnitude smaller than earlier laboratory measurements conducted by using nonthermal O<sup>+</sup> ions. However, during the course of the last year new laboratory measurements established  $k_1$  to be  $\sim 8 \times 10^{-10} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$  (i.e., an order of magnitude larger than the aeronomically deduced value). Inclusion of this new value for  $k_1$  in the ion chemistry introduced several problems, namely excess production of N<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ions and a shortfall in production of O<sup>+</sup>(S) ions, which caused a deficiency in the concentrations of both NO<sup>+</sup> and O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ions. These appear now to have been simultaneously resolved with the inclusion in theoretical models of rapid charge exchange between vibrationally excited N<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> and oxygen atoms. The previously anomalous seasonal behavior of the F<sub>2</sub> layer on a global scale appears also to be explained by this new approach.

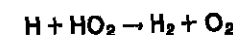
Torr reported that a major step forward in the laboratory measurement of rate coefficients was that of E. C. Zipf (University of Pittsburgh), who used laser induced photofluorescence techniques to study the behavior of N<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ions in specifically identified vibrational and rotational quantum states. The specific dissociative recombination coefficients for the  $v = 0, 1$ , and 2 vibrational levels of the N<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>(X<sup>2</sup>Σ<sub>g</sub><sup>+</sup>) state were found to be nearly equal in magnitude, thereby placing significant constraints on allowable thermospheric models. In the case of O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>, Zipf used indirect techniques to study the production of O<sup>+</sup>(S) via O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> recombination and found very little production in the  $v = 0$  level, implying that high O<sup>+</sup>(S) yields are associated with recombination in high vibrational levels. The O<sup>+</sup>(S) yield inferred from the AE data is large, but vibrationally excited O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> is believed to be strongly quenched by atomic oxygen in the thermosphere. To explain this inconsistency, a dependence of the O<sup>+</sup>(S) yield on electron temperature has been tentatively suggested.

In the area of neutral thermospheric chemistry, recent developments include the finding that the forbidden predissociation of the numerous Π<sub>2</sub> and Σ<sub>2</sub> valence and Rydberg states of N<sub>2</sub> in the 11–24 eV range via radiation entrapment in an optically thick atmosphere is the dominant mechanism for N<sub>2</sub> atom production, the finding that destruction of N<sup>+</sup>(D) constitutes a major source of OI 8446 Å dayglow, and the discovery of an oxygen geocorona of ~3000 to 4000 K.

Mesospheric chemistry has not received as much recent emphasis as has thermospheric chemistry, mainly because the necessary experimental effort has been planned for the 1980's. Some recent results

have provided new insights, however. A reevaluation of the O<sub>2</sub> dissociation rate has yielded ratios of 1 and 0.6 for the old to new rates at the altitudes 80 and 50 km, respectively. Similar results for the dissociation rate for water vapor indicate that the uncertainties are such that the actual rates may be as low as 0.46 or as high as 1.56 times the currently accepted values.

In an analysis of solar proton events, it has been recently pointed out that above ~75 km the rate of dissociation of water vapor produced by recombination of hydrated ions may be large enough to deplete H<sub>2</sub>O concentrations significantly, since the odd hydrogen at these altitudes is effectively lost in conversion of H<sub>2</sub> by the reaction



The net result would be an initial depletion followed by a storm time increase in ozone.

#### Terrestrial Planets: Venus and Mars

Planetary atmospheric chemistry at the symposium was introduced by Ronald G. Prinn (Massachusetts Institute of Technology), who discussed the "Chemistry of the Atmospheres of Venus." The atmosphere is dominated by CO<sub>2</sub>, N<sub>2</sub> at ~3.4% being the next most abundant constituent. HCl and HF were detected by ground-based spectroscopy in 1968; their presence is consistent with what one would derive by heating earth rocks to the 750°K Venusian surface temperature. CO is also present, primarily as a result of CO<sub>2</sub> photolysis; other suggested sources are lightning and thermochemistry near the surface. Water vapor is present at concentrations of a few parts per million above the clouds and a few hundred parts per million below the clouds.

The recent Venera and Pioneer Venus probes confirmed earlier suggestions of a rich sulfur chemistry in the Venusian atmosphere by detecting SO<sub>2</sub> and, more tentatively, H<sub>2</sub>S, S<sub>2</sub>, and S<sub>3</sub> below the clouds. Collaborative evidence for concentrated sulfuric acid as a major component of the clouds of Venus was also provided. The ultimate source of the sulfur is undoubtedly outgassing of the crust, perhaps partially by volcanism. This outgassing is expected to be in the form of H<sub>2</sub>S and COS. The latter gas has not yet been observed but would be expected at altitudes below 20 km (where measurements are presently lacking) due to equilibration of the observed CO, S<sub>2</sub>, S<sub>3</sub>, and SO<sub>2</sub>.

It appears that photochemical oxidation of SO<sub>2</sub> and, to a lesser extent, H<sub>2</sub>S is the major source of the sulfuric acid in the clouds and the major sink for the O<sub>2</sub> produced from CO<sub>2</sub> photodissociation at high altitudes. The major sink for CO appears to be oxidation to CO<sub>2</sub> by reactions with SO<sub>3</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub>, and SO near the surface. The Venera spectrophotometers indicated that the water vapor mixing ratio decreases as one approaches the surface. This property may be linked to photodissociation of S<sub>2</sub> and S<sub>3</sub> by near ultraviolet and visible light below the clouds. Collaborative laboratory studies are required.

The chlorine chemistry of the Venus atmosphere, although studied for some years, is more poorly understood than that of the earth. The 1 ppm of HCl that is present will photolyze to produce both odd hydrogen and odd chlorine radicals. These latter species are expected to play some role in the oxidation of SO<sub>2</sub> at cloud level, but the exact mechanisms are not yet known. The much lower O<sub>2</sub> concentrations on Venus will render Cl much more abundant than ClO, in contrast to the situation in the earth's atmosphere.

The clouds of Venus possess a complex structure as a function of altitude (Figure 6) and appear to be composed of several different chemicals as well. These points were discussed by Owen B. Toon (NASA Ames Research Center) in his talk "Chemistry of the Clouds of Venus." The upper clouds are largely sulfuric acid, but the particle size distribution is bimodal with peaks at ~0.1 and 1.0 μm, a distribution that pure sulfuric acid chemistry apparently cannot reproduce. This implies the presence of another constituent. Sulfur particles violate several observational constraints and cannot provide the opacity needed to explain the ultraviolet markings on Venus. A candidate compound is Cl<sub>2</sub>.

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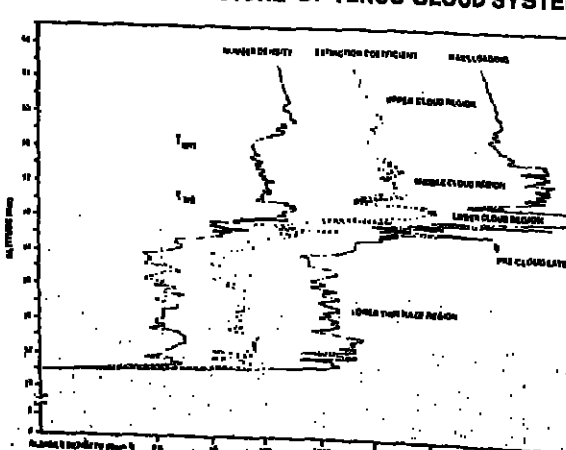


Fig. 6. Particle number densities, extinction coefficients, and mass loadings of the clouds of Venus (courtesy of R. Knollenberg).

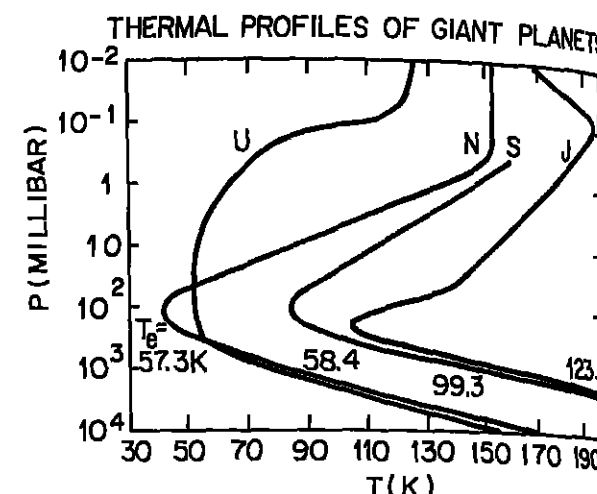


Fig. 7. The thermal structures of the Jovian planets. (D. Gautier and R. Courth, *Icarus*, 39, 28, 1978; reproduced by permission of Academic Press.)

particle size spectrum with peaks at ~0.01, 0.1, and 0.8 μm. Again, sulfuric acid falls as a controlling species in such a trimodal regime. The clouds appear to be partly sulfuric acid, but most of their mass is contained in an unidentified solid, transparent compound composed of at least Cl, O, and S.

Severe difficulties are encountered when trying to model the cloud chemistry. Present models are reasonably successful at reproducing the observed upper level sulfuric acid clouds, but are unsuccessful at producing the observed vertical profiles of O<sub>2</sub>, CO, and SO<sub>2</sub> the abundance of Cl<sub>2</sub> required to explain the observed ultraviolet absorption, or any solid chlorine compounds in the lower clouds. Theoretical and laboratory studies are required to improve the models, but major questions remain for future spacecraft missions to resolve.

Next to the earth's present atmosphere, that of Mars is probably the best understood. In a talk entitled "Photochemistry of the Martian Atmosphere," T. Y. Kong (Bell Laboratories) pointed out some of the distinctions between them. The atmosphere of the earth is controlled by four processes: photochemical, physical, biological, and anthropogenic. On Mars, only the first two of these appear to exist. As a result, Mars has not developed an oxygen-rich atmosphere, but maintains a thin atmosphere (surface pressure 8 mbar) dominated (98%) by CO<sub>2</sub>. About 4% of the atmosphere is N<sub>2</sub> and Ar.

The low opacity of the Martian atmosphere (except during dust storms) promotes photochemical processes, with such species as O<sub>3</sub>, CO, and NO being observed as a result. Much of the driving force for this chemistry comes from the photodissociation of CO<sub>2</sub> and H<sub>2</sub>O. Model calculations have been reasonably successful at treating such features as the wide variation (up to a factor of ~30) of low-altitude ozone concentrations at different latitudes and seasons. At high altitudes, the dominant form of odd oxygen is predicted by the models to be the oxygen atoms. The dominant form of odd hydrogen near the ground is HO<sub>2</sub>, not unlike the troposphere of the earth. Still to be investigated are the ways in which Martian dust influences the chemistry of the Martian atmosphere.

#### The Jovian Planets

D. F. Strobel (Naval Research Laboratory) discussed the atmospheres of the Jovian planets, with special emphasis on Jupiter. The thermal structures of the Jovian planets (Figure 7) differ principally in the temperature offset owing to solar distance. Their composition is dominated by H<sub>2</sub> and He. Jupiter and Saturn have recently been the subjects of Voyager flyby analyses; combined with ground-based observations, these indicate the presence of CH<sub>4</sub>, C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub>, C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub>, NH<sub>3</sub>, and PH<sub>3</sub> in the atmospheres of both planets. In addition, CO has been detected in the Jovian atmosphere.

The observations can be compared with theory by using the deduced thermal structure, assuming thorough atmospheric mixing to great depths, and invoking chemical reactions that link the observed species. For Jupiter, this is done by starting with a parcel containing a variety of volatile constituents at an interior reference level of  $p = 200$  kbar,  $T = 2000^\circ\text{K}$ , allowing the parcel to ascend adiabatically, and calculating the levels at which the various liquid and solid phases condense out. The condensates are assumed to remain as aerosols at these levels. Dense water clouds are calculated to form at 270°K, 80 km above the 'surface' reference level where  $p = 20$  bar. Near the 200°K (90 km) level, it is thought to react with NH<sub>3</sub> to form a cloud of solid NH<sub>4</sub>SH particles. White crystals of ammonia precipitate out at 154°K ( $p = 800$  mbar,  $z = 120$  km) to produce the visible upper cloud layer, a result supported by lines characteristic of solid ammonia in Jupiter's emission spectra.

It appears that many of the Jovian trace molecules are created high in the atmosphere (where solar photons are readily available) and are mixed down to the lower atmosphere. The color of the Great Red Spot and of some of the clouds is presumably a result of phosphoric chemistry, although compounds of sulfur have also been suggested. Analyses of the hydrocarbon chemistry are complicated by two factors: uncertainty in the photochemistry of C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub> and

C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub> and the possibility of chemical effects from precipitating magnetospheric particles. Ongoing analyses of the Voyager data may place constraints on some of these processes.

The photochemistry of the atmospheres of Saturn, Uranus, and Neptune have received much less attention than has that of Jupiter and were not explicitly discussed at the symposium. There is every indication that similar approaches can be used to describe the chemistry of all the Jovian planets, however. All contain small hydrocarbons and probably ammonia. Spurred on by the wealth of Voyager data, they will no doubt be actively modeled over the next several years.

#### Titan, Triton, and Pluto

Little has been known of the atmospheres of these three bodies, and they have received little study as a result. The paucity of information was dramatically reversed for Titan by the Voyager I flyby in November 1980. Previously thought to contain mostly methane, the atmosphere was found to be almost entirely N<sub>2</sub>. Trace amounts of CH<sub>4</sub>, C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub>, C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>, C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub>, and HCN were also detected by Voyager I, proving conclusively the existence of hydrocarbon photochemistry on Titan. The surface temperature and pressure, atmospheric scale height, and the presence of a 76°K temperature minimum at ~50 km were also established. Theoretical studies aimed at matching these observations and thus establishing the atmospheric chemical mechanisms are being vigorously pursued.

Triton and Pluto are known to possess frozen methane on their surfaces. At surface temperatures of 60°–70°K, the methane vapor pressure from this methane ice will provide tenuous atmospheres. It is reasonable to suppose that the unobserved gases N<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>, and Ar will be present as well. Until more detailed experimental observations can be obtained, little information will be forthcoming on the atmospheric chemistries of Triton and Pluto.

#### Summary

The photochemistry of planetary atmospheres has come of age in the last decade. From a single example, the modern atmosphere of the earth, the vigorous programs of planetary exploration have provided data on the atmospheres of Venus, Mars, Jupiter and Io, and Saturn and Titan. In addition, studies of geological records have provided substantial inferential information on the ancient atmosphere of the earth. Although we can still look forward to the observations of Voyager 2 of Uranus, Neptune, and Triton, eight examples of planetary atmospheres are available to the theoretical photochemist. Their similarities and their differences provide striking examples of the concomitant diversity and scientific rigor of nature.

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#### Volcano Organization Formed

The past decade was an unusually eventful one for volcanology, with the 1973 eruption on Heimaey, Iceland, the 1978–1979 rumblings of the Soufrière Volcano on Guadeloupe, the huffing and puffing of Iceland's Kilauea Volcano in 1975, the many eruptions of Mount Etna in Sicily in the 1970's, and the reawakening of Mount St. Helens in 1980 in the United States. In addition to their scientific duties, volcanologists have had to play an important social role as advisors to administrators. For example, the political decision to evacuate Guadeloupe exposed French volcanologists to scrutiny more severe than previously experienced by members of the profession. These volcanologists met the challenge by completely reorganizing their volcano observations and by increasing their volcano research. In recognition of this recent reorganization and the associated modernization of volcano observatories on Guadeloupe and Martinique, the French government invited representatives from the world's volcano observatories and institutions to meet. The meeting, from February 18–21, 1981, resulted in the establishment of the World Organization of Volcano Observatories (WOVO). As its name implies, WOVO is concerned exclusively with volcano observatories and volcano monitoring; its activities will not duplicate the functions of existing international organizations, such as the International Association of Volcanology and Chemistry of the Earth's Interior (IAVCEI), which focus generally on volcanology and allied topics.

The principal objectives of WOVO are to create or improve ties between observatories and institutions directly involved in volcano monitoring; to facilitate the exchange of views and experiences by convening periodic, perhaps annual, meetings; to maintain an up-to-date inventory of instrumentation and manpower, which could be made available to any of the member institutions if a situation arises that requires scientific reinforcement; and to promote funding from international organizations, which could help to defray travel and related expenses of scientific reinforcement teams.


the Air Quality Program at NASA Headquarters. We thank him for his efforts. Our thanks also go to the symposium participants, both for their careful preparation and presentation and for their comments on earlier version of this report.



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Gudmundur E. Sigvaldason of Iceland was elected president of WOVO's executive board; other members are Tilling, Yokoyama, and J. L. Le Mouél (France). For additional information on WOVO, contact Sigvaldason, Nordic Volcanological Institute, Geosciences Building, University of Iceland, Reykjavik, Iceland.

This news item was contributed by G. E. Sigvaldason and is a compilation of reports by L. A. Mendes Victor of Portugal and Robert Tilling of the U.S. Geological Survey.

#### Luck + Merit = Grant

Granting approval to proposals submitted to the National Science Foundation (NSF) depends about as much on luck as it does on the scientific merit of the proposal, according to a study by the National Academy of Sciences' Committee on Science and Public Policy (COSPUP). In addition, concealing the names of the authors of the proposals, a practice known as 'blinding,' would not significantly change the outcome of the grant-awarding process.

"The fate of a particular grant application is roughly half determined by the characteristics of the proposal and the principal investigator, and about half by apparently random elements which might be characterized as the 'luck of the reviewer draw,'" according to Stephen Cole, Jonathan R. Cole, and Gary A. Simon in the COSPUP report summary, published in the November 20 *Science*. If researchers' proposals for NSF grants were rated again by an equally qualified group of reviewers, between 25% and 30% of NSF funding decisions could be reversed, they said.

However, "this should not be interpreted as meaning either that the entire process is random or that each individual reviewer is evaluating the proposal in a random way," they continued. To clarify the way in which the luck of the draw works, the report's authors suggest that the sources of reviewer disagreement be scrutinized.

"The great bulk of reviewer disagreement observed is probably a result of real and legitimate differences of opinion among experts about what good science is or should be... As long as substantial reviewer disagreement, whatever its source, exists the fate of a particular proposal will depend heavily upon which reviewers happen to be selected," state Cole, Cole, and Simon.

COSPUP also found that "reviewers at major institutions did not treat proposals from applicants more favorably than did reviewers from lesser institutions." They found, in fact, the opposite trend. Length of career had no strong effect on the probability of receiving a grant. In addition, there was



low or moderate correlation between the funding decision and the prestige rank of the applicant's current academic department, academic rank, geographic location, NSF funding history during the previous 5 years, and the location of doctoral training.

Given the chance of the review process, it would appear that the more proposals a scientist submits to NSF, the more likely it is he or she will be funded. In fact, Cole, Cole, and Simon said, "eminent scientists may be more likely to be funded than less well-known ones not because their probability of success is greater for each submitted proposal, but because they submit many proposals and are not deterred by an individual rejection."

Would a "blind" review system be better? In general, COSPUP found that "it was extremely difficult to conceal the authorship of proposals," and that reviewer disagreement, not blinding, played a greater role in their study.

What does all of this mean for science? A distinction must be made between the effect of randomness in the peer review system on individual applicants and the effect on science itself, according to the report summary. While the randomness may be frustrating to individual scientists, "it may have little effect on the rate of development of science as a whole," wrote Cole, Cole and Simon. "One clear disadvantage for science of the current peer review system is that it compels even our most talented scientists to spend substantial amounts of time and energy writing proposals, time and energy that might be more fruitfully spent doing research."—BTR

### NSF Reviewed—An Analysis

The awarding of scientific research grants jointly to investigators and their academic institutions by the National Science Foundation (NSF) (see news item above) is based on a concept of high ideals; review of proposed research proposals is done by peers selected from the academic community. The peer review process and the way awards of funds are made to an investigator's institution are often mildly criticized, but among members of the community there has long been an underlying respect of the concepts, a recognition that the process tends to lead to high standards in research. As peers are chosen, a certain degree of unevenness in the review process is to be expected. Just how much unevenness has been revealed in a recent study sponsored by the National Academy of Sciences Committee on Science and Public Policy (COSPUP). The results indicate that the peer review process is random and unbiased. The results show some tendency toward unevenness between groups of peers, but the NSF process evidently is a finely tuned one, especially when compared with other more or less subjective methods of evaluation.

The choice and selection of reviewers of a proposal is, by necessity and intention, subjective in certain ways. The reviewers must know the field, the specifics of the proposed research, and they must be competent to judge the investigator and the institutional facilities. To do this, the reviewers must be subjective, bordering on a conflict of interest. And yet, the study showed there was little, if any, bias toward proposers. There was a measurable component of what the study called "luck of the reviewer draw," which was seen when a given set of research proposals was evaluated by more than one group of reviewers. If the selection of reviewers was random, then the reviews were uneven. The modifying subjectivity is the thoughtful choice of reviewers by the NSF program directors. This has been called "informed subjectivity" (*Chemical and Engineering News*, Nov. 16, 1981). Reviewer disagreement seemed to be mostly a result of real and legitimate differences of opinion among experts about what good science should be. There is no guarantee that a given proposal will be judged the same by several sets of reviewers, and yet the report states "... this should not be interpreted as meaning either that the entire process is random or that each individual reviewer is evaluating the proposal in a random way."

Even though the NSF-peer review system has proven to be a fair judge of research proposals, the investigator whose budget is severely cut or whose proposal is turned down will get little solace from the results of a survey. That there is some degree of randomness or chance in the outcome serves to provide a smoothing function to the overall process. Chances improve with statistics and with the number of reviews of a given proposal. The report states: "...

given the importance of chance in the current process, clearly the more proposals a researcher submits the higher the probability of being funded." Thus there is good news that an investigator should not be deterred by the rejection of proposals.

Perhaps the most important outcome of the study is that the review process is a good one and is working. The questions or problems that arise are more sophisticated and subtle than factors revealed by a statistical study. They have to do with the correspondence between the research proposed and the research actually done, the attempt to judge creativity before it is created and the obvious question of trying to prejudge a result that cannot be predicted beforehand. The review process is influenced by the "zero-based" budget syndrome; a new budget per year means a new proposal to be reviewed per year, which must not only reflect new findings per year but a new project per year. The result may be that science is being done on a short project one-per-year basis. Longer, perhaps more fundamental, and thus more vaguely proposed research projects do not fit into the system too well. NSF-funded projects of 5 years or more duration are almost unheard of today.

It is clear, however, the shorter time of a project benefits from more rapid publication of the results, more critical response by the academic community, and a sharper competitive edge. The competitive spirit today in research is such that if an investigator were to take 5 years to publish results of his research, often someone else would have been first. The high level of excellence of scientific research in the United States has resulted in part from the competitive process that, in turn, is fostered by the NSF peer review process.—PMB

### AGU Members Receive Fulbrights

Five AGU members were granted senior Fulbright awards for university teaching and advanced research abroad for 1981-1982, according to the U.S. International Communications Agency and the Board of Foreign Scholarships.

Yvonne Herman-Rosenberg, associate professor of geology at the Washington State University in Pullman, will research Black Sea Quaternary benthic foraminifera as indicators of sea-level fluctuations. The research will be conducted at the University of Bucharest in Romania from May through July, 1982.

George V. Keller, professor of geophysics and head of department at the Colorado School of Mines, is lecturing at the Moscow State University on exploration for geothermal energy. His 3-month stay in Moscow concludes this month.

Robert D. Lawrence, associate professor of geology at the Oregon State University in Corvallis, will lecture for the entire academic year at the University of Peshawar in Pakistan on structural geology.

Walter H. Munk, professor of oceanography at the Scripps Institution of Oceanography, will research ocean mapping by remote acoustic sensing for the entire academic year at the University of Cambridge in the United Kingdom.

Carl Wunsch, an oceanographer at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, also will be at the University of Cambridge for the entire academic year. He will research the application of inverse methods, acoustic tomography, and satellite altimetry to the problem of determining ocean circulation through global measurement systems.

### New Planet Missions May Be Halted

A December 2 report in the *Washington Post* states that George Keyworth, science advisor to President Reagan, has recommended halting all new planetary space missions for at least the next decade—an idea he said the White House seems to be buying.

A spokesman in the Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP) told *Eos* that in keeping with this, astrophysics and astronomy, not planetary missions, would be emphasized in the fiscal 1983 budget. The OSTP spokesman was unsure what Keyworth meant by "an idea the White House seems to be buying." There has been other talk that budget cuts would jeopardize space exploration (*Eos*, October 20, p. 705).

Keyworth also has proposed the establishment of a new

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science advisory board at the White House. President Reagan has received the proposal, which calls for a 15-member panel similar to the President's Science Advisory Committee that was abolished by President Nixon in 1973. Reagan had not approved the proposal at deadline.—BTR

### Geophysicists

Robert L. Bates is the 1981 recipient of the Association of Earth Science Editors' Award for Outstanding Editorial or Publishing Contributions. Bates, formerly a professor of geology at The Ohio State University, is well known for 'The Geologic Column,' a regular feature in *Geotitles*. Previous recipients of the award are Brian J. Skinner, Philip H. Abelson, Marie Siegrist, and Edwin B. Eckel.

Philip S. Justus was promoted to section leader of the high-level radioactive waste repository section of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission in Silver Spring, Md. Before joining the Division of Waste Management, he was with the Geosciences Branch of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

John Rodgers, Silliman Professor of Geology at Yale University, was awarded the Geological Society of America's Penrose Medal for 1981. He was cited for his "innovative ideas concerning Appalachian geology." Rodgers is an AGU Fellow.

George H. Sutton, formerly professor of geophysics and associate director of the Hawaii Institute of Geophysics at the University of Hawaii, has been appointed vice president of Rondout Associates, Inc., in Stone Ridge, N.Y.

Donald L. Turcotte, president-elect of AGU's Tectonophysics Section, has been awarded the 1981 Arthur L. Day Medal of the Geological Society of America. The professor and chairman of the Cornell University Department of Geological Sciences was cited for "distinguished application of chemistry and physics to geology."

Richard M. Pearl, 68, died recently. A member of the Volcanology, Geochemistry, and Petrology Section, he belonged to AGU from 1953 to 1959 and from 1973 until his death.

Students of geomorphology are often handicapped by their unfamiliarity with the concepts of mechanics or hydraulics, on which are based much of our understanding of the processes that explain the nature of landforms. The second and third chapters of the book attempt to tackle this problem by discussing the concepts of energy, force, resistance, and the nature of fluid motion. This is not an easy task, as a large amount of material has to be covered with in about 50 pages: from basic definition of mass, velocity, force, etc., to complicated and empirical concepts of open channel flow. The results, unfortunately, are uneven and vary from succinct and rigorous presentation to brief, confusing, and occasionally simplistic summaries. For example, the utility, at the advanced undergraduate level, of a discussion on geomagnetism that takes only four and a half lines is, at best, debatable. On the other hand the boundary layer concept as presented in chapter 3 comes through relatively clearly, albeit in a somewhat generalized format.

Following these two prerequisite chapters comes the traditional arrangement of geomorphic processes, presented with a new insight and often unconventional format. The next two chapters on weathering and mass movements in-

clude an overwhelming volume of information, frequently collected from various case studies, often summarized in tables and highlighted by diagrams. These two, and a subsequent chapter on fluvial processes, are by far the longest ones in the book. The discussion on fluvial processes concentrates on river basin hydrology, the dynamics of sediment transport, and erosion and deposition both in channel and on hill slopes. The presentation, even of such cult topics, is usually lucid, but the impression one gets is that of unbalanced coverage. Even the author seems to have noticed this when on page 258 he attributes the lack of a proper discussion of floodplain development to a "shortage of space." Presumably the shortage of space has also led to occasional terseness in presentation, which may easily confuse a reader. For example, the discussion of the sequence of channel bedform in noncohesive material after Simons and Richardson, can easily be misinterpreted by someone unfamiliar with the topic. Similarly, the use of the word "erosion" in the two paragraphs on hydraulic geomorphology that at a glance change in width is always insignificant. The remaining chapters on subsurface, glacial, nival, eolian, and marine processes are briefer, relatively less im-

portant in their presentation, and in certain cases, not well structured or written.

The question that remains unresolved is that of readability. *Process in Geomorphology* includes an impressive amount of information, but the quality and style remain uneven, especially between chapters written by different authors. Furthermore, it is by no means an easy book to read. Such attributes as an extensive bibliography of over 30 pages, a considerable portion of which comes from European studies; the summarizing of many case studies in the text; the large number of tables that carry useful numerical information, often in comparative form; and the wealth of diagrams and superb photographs make it attractive to a teacher. One can envisage a university instructor incorporating a table or a diagram in his lecture, but he probably would not recommend this book as a text to his students. Apart from the difficult text and lack of rigor in presentation of mathematical formulas, the book does not stress the fact that our knowledge of geomorphologic processes is, to a great extent, based on empirical data collected in the field. There is a frequent disparity between the level at which one collects data and the level at which one's expectations rise at the sight of an equation. This is a factor one has to constantly keep in mind while trying to explain landforms through our limited understanding of geomorphologic processes.

It is possible, however, that the shortcomings of this book, i.e., the terse and often unrigorous presentation and the fluctuating expectations about the scholarship and ability of the reader, are inherent in the pursuit of the goal of providing a detailed and comprehensive text that deals with all the major geomorphologic processes within about 400 pages. This raises two important questions about the teaching of geomorphology: Is it possible, for example, to provide a student with the necessary exposure to the nature of open channel flow in an early chapter in a textbook in geomorphology at this level, or should the student spend more time and effort with a normal textbook, like the one by Henderson? Second, given the recent advances in the subject, is it possible to produce a comprehensive, readable text that covers all the different geomorphologic processes and yet still keep the book within manageable proportions? The success of *Process in Geomorphology* may very well be in making us more aware of the wealth of process-oriented studies in the last few years and also of the shortcomings in the education of student geomorphologists, but it is only partially successful in satisfying the need for a detailed and comprehensive process-oriented text in geomorphology.

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### Environmental Quality and Residuals Management

A. V. Kneese and B. T. Bower, The Johns Hopkins University Press, Baltimore, xiv + 337 pp., 1979, \$25.00.

Reviewed by Robert Nelson

For almost 30 years now Resources for the Future (RFF) has been the leading research institute for natural resource policies. In this book, Allen Kneese and Blair Bower give an overview of the results of an environmental program begun at RFF in 1965.

RFF adopted an economic approach to environmental problems. From this perspective, pollution results from a market failure in that polluters do not have to pay for the damages from pollution—the "external costs"—they impose on others. In essence the environment becomes a public commons in which there is no reason for polluters to exercise restraint. If this much is accepted, the solution is to require that pollution costs be internalized, either by a pollution tax or by requiring polluters to purchase pollution rights in a market. RFF has mainly put its eggs in the pollution tax basket. Over the past decade, its studies have contributed significantly to making the tax approach widely known and respectable.

Another important contribution of the RFF program has been to emphasize that there are many ways of achieving cost efficiency in reducing pollution. Redesigning the basic product, employing different production inputs, revising the manufacturing process, or other innovative approaches may well be the most efficient. For example, simply by changing from white to darker, unbleached paper, liquid pollutants may be reduced by 85% to 90% in paper production. The RFF environmental program undertook specific studies of the pulp and paper, petroleum refining, steel, automotive steel scrap, and coal-electric industries to demonstrate how a wide range of alternatives usually exist.

Another main theme of the RFF studies is the need to recognize the interrelationships among different types of pollution. Scrubbers, for example, limit air emissions but at the same time create a solids problem in disposing of sludge. Extending regulatory policies too often address air, water, and solids problems individually. The complexity of the pollution problem is shown in the development by RFF of a full-scale model for the Lower Delaware Valley region.

The last part of the book addresses the overall costs of pollution management. National expenditures in the early 1980's of \$50 to \$100 billion per year are estimated. As much as 25% of increases in national income in these years could be required for this purpose. The magnitude of these expenditures emphasizes the importance of achieving maximum cost effectiveness and also inevitably raises the question of how the benefits received compare with the costs.

The studies of the RFF environmental program have been a major contribution in the environmental field. Yet, its ideas have, perhaps, had a better reception among researchers and scholars than they have had impact on government policies. Unfortunately, the book does not consider

the practical influence of the RFF studies. In fact it offers only passing mention of actual government regulations and the real world formulation of environmental policies.

The RFF program developed many of its arguments through some elaborate models. This may have been a mistake. Although RFF modeled several industries, the models were not sufficiently complete that they could be used to represent the actual circumstances of the industries. Their purpose was considered to be "illustrative" of pollution reduction alternatives. The model is, in effect, an expository device.

An alternative method of exposition would have been to examine recent environmental legislation and agency administration and show a number of actual instances of inefficient pollution controls. By using concrete examples from actual experiences, government policy makers might have been forced to take greater notice. RFF might have been pushed into some major political controversies, might have appeared less scientifically neutral, and been exposed to more criticism, but that may be a necessary price for reaching a bigger and more influential audience.

RFF clearly recognized that political considerations often played a dominant role in determining environmental policies. It even undertook a major study of the politics of pollution control. But this study is probably the least satisfactory part of the RFF program. A high technical sophistication and substantial modeling effort went into reaching rather obvious conclusions, such as that there exist important "opportunities for vote trading."

In examining pollution control problems in the Lower Delaware Valley region, RFF's model once again proves to be merely illustrative. As a pedagogical device, large models are expensive and time consuming and have the further drawback that for most of the audience they require placing great trust in the model builder. In a somewhat skeptical age, policy makers prefer, if possible, to keep things simple enough that they can judge for themselves.

Until not so long ago, separate fields of economics and politics did not exist—only a single field of political economy. The RFF program of environmental studies probably would have benefited from a much greater dose of political economy. This would have included paying much greater attention to institutional questions. The real key to improved environmental policies lies in devising solutions that existing institutions will accept. Compared to these problems, developing better technical models is a less challenging task.

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### Earthlike Planets; Surfaces of Mercury, Venus, Earth, Moon, and Mars

Bruce Murray, Michael C. Malin, and Ronald Greeley. W. H. Freeman and Company, San Francisco, \$24.95 hardbound, \$14.95 paperback.

Reviewed by Harold Masursky

A quotation from the preface of the book sums up the authors' purpose in writing it:

Traditional explanations of the nature and history of Earth and the other rocky, Earthlike planets of the inner Solar System—Moon, Mars, Venus, and Mercury—are crumbling under the impact of close-up and direct observations of actual surface phenomena. New insights are developing that link Earth, including the very atoms that compose its sentient beings, with the origin and evolution of those other four planets of the inner Solar System. . . . The book should be suitable as a supplementary text in college geology and astronomy courses and also of use in specialized courses covering topics in physical geology, geomorphology, planetary astronomy, volcanology, and planetary science.

In this text the authors discuss at length the comparative planetology of the terrestrial planets; that is, they describe and analyze the several planets that have been explored to date. Discussions of the moon, Mercury, Mars, and Venus are grouped under several headings: the global view; modifications by external processes (including impact, wind, water, and gravity effects); renewal by internal processes, including volcanism and tectonism; lengthy discussions are given for the moon, Mercury, and Mars, and in a final chapter on comparative planetology a short section is included on the moons of Jupiter. The book is illustrated by many photographs; some diagrams that show lunar cross sections, chemical groupings and ages of rocks; and a few colored illustrations of the surfaces of Mars and the Galilean satellites.

This book provides more thorough discussion of its subject matter than does Elbert King's *Space Geology* or J. E. Guest's atlas, *Planetary Geology*. It does not include as much comprehensive detail as is found in T. Mutch's *Geology of the Moon or Geology of Mars*, nor does it have the gloss, the abundant, lovely color illustrations, or the creative gloss provided by the scientist-authors of a newly published book, *The Solar System*, edited by J. K. Beatty and others. The discussion on Mercurian astronomical aspects, particles and field studies, and cratering is nicely done. The wind discussion is well done also. Perhaps Murray's involvement with Mercury and Greeley's with wind experiments account for the high quality of these discussions.

There is considerable discussion of volcanism on Mercury (where there is no overt evidence), of mare basalts on the moon; and of tectonism and volcanism on Mars, where the record is more varied. The lava plains of Mars as well as the great shield volcanoes are covered. An account of silicic volcanism and its origin includes an explicit statement

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that silicic volcanism on the earth is usually a by-product of plate tectonics. However the highly felspathic character of the moon's early crust indicates to some investigators that other fundamental processes, such as "magma oceans," may have generated highly felspathic rocks on the moon. This subject is causing much ferment—witness Anderson's recent announcement of possible early magma oceans on the earth also. It uncertainties such as this had been better delineated, they would have made the reader more excited about these fundamental problems.

Conversely, the discussion of Martian channels is not sharply drawn. It seems to me that the authors suggest that there are various vaguely formed hypotheses for channel formation, none of which fits very well. Present hypotheses for channel formation by water, wind, ice, or tectonics have been delineated in considerable detail. It would be better to pose this question more clearly and perhaps suggest how the answer could be obtained by future investigations or additional space flights. For example, if channeling episodes could be dated, it might indicate whether both Earth and Mars glacial and interglacial epochs are due to variations in solar output, variations in orbital elements, or the heat engine of each body. Here again I missed the challenge inherent in this active frontier.

In many sections this book does not present the wide range of alternative hypotheses that are now being discussed. The reader is thus deprived of an awareness of the controversy inherent in present-day space exploration. Many subjects are still only tentatively explained, and many critical observations are yet to be made. The discussions could be expanded profitably to convey both the present sense of excitement of discovery and the rapid progress that is presently in full flower.

The book is small but reasonably priced. At present there is no other comparable alternative text available that presents as comprehensive a view of the interrelations of the solid planets. Inclusion of new data available from the Venus Pioneer spacecraft and from multifaceted views of the highly varied satellites of Jupiter and Saturn would provide a more broadly based text, which is urgently needed.

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### Chemical Equilibria in Soils

W. L. Lindsay, John Wiley, New York, xix + 448 pp., 1979.

Reviewed by D. Kirk Nordstrom

Lindsay's objective 'is to bridge the gap between soil science and chemistry and to show that most reactions taking place in soils can be understood and predicted from basic chemical relationships.' To achieve this objective he has written a book that simply describes the construction of nearly 100 mineral solubility diagrams and several aqueous distribution diagrams whose relevance to real soils is left as an exercise for the reader (both literally and figuratively). If you are looking for anything else that might fall under this title then you won't find it. Adsorption, colloidal processes, ion exchange, and other surface effects are not considered.

Following two introductory chapters on aqueous chemical equilibria, each chapter is assigned to an element or constituent type, such as aluminum (chap. 5), iron (chap. 6), carbonate equilibria (chap. 8), phosphates (chap. 12), chalcogenides (chap. 16), and organic transformations (chap. 23). The other element chapters are all organized in a similar fashion: solubility of oxides and hydroxides, silicate solubility, hydrolysis, complexes and redox for aluminum (chap. 3); silica (chap. 4); calcium (chap. 7); magnesium (chap. 8); sodium and potassium (chap. 9); iron (chap. 10); manganese (chap. 11); zinc (chap. 13); copper (chap. 14); nitrogen (chap. 15); sulfur (chap. 17); silver (chap. 18); cadmium (chap. 19); lead (chap. 20); mercury (chap. 21); and molybdenum (chap. 22).







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## Candidates Statements: Section Presidents-Elect

In the next few issues, comments from all candidates for office of section president-elect will appear. The statements for Geodesy, Geomagnetism and Paleomagnetism, Hydrology, and Solar-Planetary Relationships sections appear below.

### B. D. Tapley (Geodesy)

The following subjects are of importance to the AGU at large and the geodesic community in particular:

1. A significant effort should be made to improve communication between the organizations involved in geodesic operations, which include both industries and federal agencies, and research activities associated with the development and initial exploitation of contemporary geodesic instruments and theoretical approaches to the use of the new data types (VLBI, laser, Global Positioning System, satellite altimetry, GRAVSAT, etc.). Efforts to stimulate the dialogue between the research and application communities will bring new techniques into the operations area at the earliest feasible time and will provide a proper stimulus for the research and development activities. Such dialogue should be enhanced through special sessions at the biannual AGU meetings and by sponsoring intersociety workshops and specialized symposia.

2. The AGU should initiate an effort to evaluate and improve the university educational offering in the area of geodesy. A geodesy section sponsored by the Education Affairs Committee should be given the responsibility for developing plans for improving the quality of the educational programs in geodesy and geophysics.

3. The role of geodesy in other related areas should be identified and actions initiated to satisfy the geodesic requirements that emerge in these areas. Of particular significance are the roles that geodesic methods play in the areas of oceanography (definition of the geoid and gravity field and ocean surface and ocean bottom positioning) and seismology (precise point positioning, the time rates of change of point position, polar motion, etc.).
4. The roles of large data set collection, archiving, and dissemination are topics of major concern to the geodesic community. The Geodesy section activities, through the section meetings and/or technical committees, should seek to distribute information on the availability of data for geodesic studies, to define archival requirements for geodesic data base, and to identify requirements that are not being met by current agency actions.

If elected, I will work toward achieving the objectives outlined above.

### Petr Vanicek (Geodesy)

North American geodesy has been suffering from a lack of identity. This continent has seen some of the most spectacular geodesic achievements; yet, often enough these were born under the auspices of space science, tectonics, oceanography, etc. Some of my more pragmatic colleagues will argue that there is nothing wrong with this 'throw out the baby with the bathwater' approach. I believe, however, that the cause of science would be better served if geodesy were, once more, recognized for what it is: a scientific discipline in its own right.

Geodesy is the discipline that concerns itself with the geometry of the earth and its gravity field, including the temporal variation thereof. Thus geodesy is as much a part of geophysics as geometry is a part of physics. It is on these philosophical foundations that the Geodesy Section should cooperate with the other sections of AGU. It is in this position that the Geodesy Section should take when asking itself what is there that geodesy can do for the other disciplines and what is there that the other disciplines can do for geodesy. It is this point of view that I should adopt if elected to the presidency.

On a more down-to-earth level, the section may consider doing more for the promotion of AGU among professional colleagues and students alike. The promotion should include soliciting research papers as well as review papers for JGR and RGSP and soliciting manuscripts for publication in the AGU Monograph Series. As an example of other possibilities, the section may consider launching a campaign to evaluate geodesic content in various pertinent university programs on this continent and publish the results. To end, I should like to thank the Nominations Committee for the honor they bestowed upon me by nominating me, even though I am not a United States citizen.

### Christopher G. A. Harrison (Geomagnetism and Paleomagnetism)

The main function of the American Geophysical Union is to provide communication channels between geophysicists. This is done by the meetings and the publications programs of AGU. Actions taken at council meetings can affect both of these programs, and one of the jobs of council members is to ensure that the various programs remain effective. This is especially true during times of rapid change, which we are seeing today. For instance, the publications program of AGU is undergoing several changes that may affect members affiliated with the GP section. The Red JGR has had a significant increase in size under the editorship of Tom Ahrens, and a new journal, *Tectonics*, has been started in collaboration with the European Geophysical Society. The annual meetings are also undergoing change, with the western one, in particular, growing through the years. The increase in submitted abstracts may necessitate significant changes in the way the meetings are organized. In order that a council member may adequately represent his or her section members at council meetings, it is important that there be good communication between the council representative and the members of the section. The lunch meetings of the GP section, which take place at the annual meetings, provide some opportunity for exchange of ideas which I would like to see made greater use of. I shall also try and discuss issues with individuals during the annual meetings so as to be better prepared to represent GP at the council meetings.

Other things that are of importance to GP members are that magnetic observatories continue to operate, that new orbiting magnetic observatories be launched in a timely manner, and that our data bases at the National Data Centers be kept up-to-date.

### Neil D. Opdyke (Geomagnetism and Paleomagnetism)

It is a great honor to be selected by the nominating committee to run for president of the GP section. It is my opinion that the section is doing quite well; however, there is one matter that must be addressed if we are to remain a coherent active group. The problem to which I am referring is the increasing tendency for the sections to split into a West Coast and an East Coast group based upon the respective national meetings. How this tendency can be countered during a time of increasing difficulty in obtaining

additional funds for travel is difficult to see. A possible route may be to attempt to coordinate the symposium offered at the two meetings to have as wide an appeal as possible and to invite speakers to these symposium from both coasts. Therefore, if elected, I would attempt to be more involved in the coordination of the programs for the two meetings so as to maximize the interaction of what is rapidly becoming two constituencies.

### R. Allan Freeze (Hydrology)

I believe that the Hydrology Section of AGU is currently in good hands, and I would not envisage any major shifts in direction should I be elected president of the section.

The primary obligations of the section's executive are to ensure efficiency and quality in the publications program and in conferences and symposia. On the publications side, our research journal, *Water Resources Research*, has a strong reputation, and I would provide the necessary support to the editors to ensure the continuation of this reputation.

One of the long-standing problems in the section is how to bridge the gap between the relatively small number of research-oriented hydrologists who tend to publish in *WRR* and the much larger number of practicing hydrologists who form the backbone of the section. The user-oriented publications of the *Water Resources Monograph Series* have the potential to be the primary vehicle for bridging the gap. I would like to see this program improved and expanded.

With respect to symposia, I would like to see continued expansion of the Chapman Conference program. All the Chapman Conferences to date have been successful and well attended. Recent annual meetings, despite excellent technical sessions, have experienced relatively poor attendance. This problem deserves continued attention.

I understand that the technical committee structure in the section is healthy and active. I hope to see the members of these committees play a leadership role in the development of Chapman Conferences and in the organization of technical sessions at the annual meetings. In particular, I would like to see more technical sessions that cross the interdisciplinary boundaries within hydrology.

On a broader front, I would like to see greater interaction between the Hydrology Section and the other sections of AGU. I think we should abandon our traditional role as outsiders and jump headlong and headstrong into AGU affairs, both political and scientific. In the long haul, I believe that this is the best way to project the interests of the Hydrology Section within AGU and throughout the broader scientific community.

### George C. Reid (Solar-Planetary Relationships)

The disciplines represented by the Solar-Planetary Relationships Section of AGU are facing a period of crisis brought about by the proposed major decreases in research funding. They are likely to be affected to an even greater degree than other areas of basic science, since they have become so dependent on spacecraft missions, whose future is, to say the least, unpromising. In this situation, a slight shift in the emphasis of AGU might be worth considering. Traditionally, AGU has not played an active 'lobbying' role, restricting itself mainly to the development of communication among scientists through the twin media of publications and meetings. This should certainly continue to be its principal function, but I should like to propose an increase in emphasis on communication between scientists and the outside world. The market for popular science is stronger than ever before among the educated public, and Solar-Planetary Relationships has an interesting story to tell. I feel that our section should work, through its officers, with the Public Affairs Committee of AGU to convey the inherently exciting aspects of our work to the general public and thereby start to build an effective lobbying force among the public, most of whom are not aware of the serious dangers that the future holds for science.

There are a few specific issues facing both the Union and the section that will demand attention in the near future. The proposal that the Aeronomy subsection be merged with the Meteorology Section to form an Atmospheric Science Section is probably the one of most direct and immediate concern. While this proposal has obvious merits, there are potential problems that need to be examined and laid to rest before a final decision is made. Some restructuring within the section may also become desirable, whether or not Aeronomy remains as part of SPR.

The AGU journals represent a valuable international resource and are among the world's leading journals in their fields. This is especially true of blue JGR, relative to the disciplines of SPR, and every effort should be made to maintain, or even to enhance, its position. If elected, I propose to work with the Editor, the Publications Committee, and the Council to support the cause of blue JGR and to avoid any changes that may be detrimental to its international standing. The problem of journal finances is likely to increase in importance in the next few years, and the long-standing question of the balance between individual and institutional subscription rates may need reexamination. In these issues, and in others as they arise, I shall try to act in the best interests of the section, of the Union, and of the discipline itself.

### Christopher T. Russell (Solar-Planetary Relationships)

The primary function of the AGU is and should continue to be scientific communication. The AGU fosters this communication in many ways: through its weekly newspaper, *Eos*; through its research journals, review journals, and books; and through its sponsorship of annual meetings and Chapman Conferences. Three aspects of the journals program are of most concern to the membership: editorial quality of content, cost, and timely publication. I am quite

convinced that the editorial content of the AGU journals, in the SPR section the journals of choice are the JGR and GRL. However, I am not satisfied with the length of the time from submission to publication for JGR and to a lesser extent for GRL. The decline in subscriptions alarms me. The more AGU journals are in scientists' offices, the more the articles within them will be used. Perhaps subscription rates need to be decreased at the expense of page charges.

In the area of the annual meetings the AGU seems to be chafing on its success. Is there a reasonable solution to the problem of overcrowded rooms and conflicting parallel sessions? I believe we should analyze carefully why this crowding has come about before offering solutions. I do not believe poster sessions are the instant cure-all to the problem, nor is the arbitrary rejection of abstracts desirable. I entered the field too short a time ago to believe the 'old boys' know what should be accepted. We must nurture new blood and innovation. The Chapman Conferences have proven themselves to be effective and provide an atmosphere unattainable at the annual meetings. However, have we used them most effectively? Have the subdisciplines in SPR had their fair share of these conferences? I believe that the SPR section officers should take a more active role in promoting Chapman Conferences to cover the needs of the members.

We should not overlook the other roles of the AGU, even though they do not touch us as directly or as often as meetings. We must encourage good young people to enter the field, even with the uncertain job market. There will always be a need for good people in our field. At the present time the employment opportunities in the various sections of geophysics is uneven. The AGU can assist in smoothing this imbalance by matching prospective employees with available geophysicists when they find themselves outside

## Meetings

### Aerospace Sciences Meeting

The American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics' 20th Aerospace Sciences Meeting, to be held in Orlando, Fla., on January 11-14, 1982, will include four main sessions and a special presentation by Esker Davis, Voyager project manager, entitled 'Voyager: A Parade of Giants'.

Results from the Spacecraft Charging at High Altitude (SCATHA) program will be summarized in one session. For more information, contact A. L. Vampola, The Aerospace Corp., P.O. Box 92957, Los Angeles, CA 90009. Seven papers will describe the science and engineering of a proposed space mission in a session entitled 'Star Probe: A Mission to the Sun.' For additional information, contact D. Sonabend, Jet Propulsion Laboratory, Pasadena, CA 91103. 'Active Space Experiments' will include six papers on the results of active stimulation of space plasmas. Details can be obtained from S. Kaye, Plasma Physics Laboratory, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ 08544. Six papers will evaluate the effects of the environment of space on spacecraft systems. For additional information, contact C. P. Pike, Air Force Geophysics Laboratory, Hanscom AFB, MA 01731.

General information about the meeting can be obtained from Paul F. Mizera, The Aerospace Corp., P.O. Box 92957, Los Angeles, CA 90009 (telephone: 213-648-6514).

### Water: Indiana's Abundant Resource

A call for papers has been issued for the Third Annual Indiana Water Resources Symposium, sponsored by the Indiana Water Resources Association. Papers are invited on all aspects of water resources, but special emphasis will be placed on papers addressing irrigation, urban hydrology, water quality, groundwater hydrology, lakes and wetlands

hydrology, hazardous wastes, or multipurpose water uses. For a paper to be considered for the meeting, which is scheduled for June 9-11, 1982, in South Bend, Ind., authors should submit an original and four copies of detailed abstracts of their papers no later than January 8 to John E. Fisher, Chairman, Third Annual Indiana Water Resources Symposium, Lawson-Fisher Associates, 525 West Washington St., South Bend, IN 46601 (telephone: 219-234-3167). Abstracts should not exceed 250 words and are to include the paper title, author name(s), affiliation(s), address(es), and telephone number(s). The senior author should be noted with an asterisk. Authors will be notified at the end of January. Camera-ready copy must be submitted by April 1.

Organizations wishing to present an exhibit at the symposium also should contact Fisher by January 8.

### BALLOT CHANGES

#### Withdrawn

Donald R. Nelson has withdrawn as a candidate for president of the Hydrology Section.

#### Petition Candidate

Joseph N. Barfield has been approved as an additional candidate for Secretary of Magnetospheric Physics for the Solar-Planetary Relationships Section. His biography and picture appear below.

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### Paleoenvironment of East Asia

The Centre of Asian Studies at the University of Hong Kong is proposing to convene a conference in early December 1982 on the Paleoenvironment of East Asia from the Mid-Tertiary. The conference objective will be to review the evidence for the sequence of geology and paleoclimatology that parallel evolution of biological ecosystems in Asia. This review should lead to a definition of the nature of the environment in which hominids and early forms of *Homo* evolved in East Asia, according to the centre.

Geologists, geomorphologists, paleoceanographers, paleometeorologists, paleoclimatologists, paleoecologists, paleozoologists, and paleoanthropologists are expected to contribute to the conference. In addition, specialists from China, Japan, Korea, and Taiwan are expected to describe their advances in these disciplines.

continues in *Rock: Their Role and Significance in Geologic Processes*, Santa Fe, N. Mex. (Meetings, AGU, 2000 Florida Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20009).

May 5-7 14th International Liège Colloquium on Hydrodynamics of Equatorial Oceans, Liège, Belgium. Sponsors: IAPSO, UNESCO Marine Sciences Division, EGS, International Oceanographic Association, AGU, Jacques-C. J. Nohel, University of Liège, Mécanique des Fluides Géophysiques-Environnement, BP-Sart Tilman, 5-4000 Liège, Belgium.

May 20-22 General Meeting of IAG, Tokyo, Japan (N. Nakagawa, Geophysical Institute, Kyoto University, Sakyo-ku, Kyoto 606 Japan).

May 10-12 Annual Meeting of the Canadian Geophysical Union, Downsview, Ontario, Canada (D. E. Smylie, Department of Physics, York University, Toronto, Ontario, Canada M3J 1P3).

May 12-14 Fourth International Conference on Planning and Management of Water Resources for Industrial, Agricultural, and Urban Use, Marseilles, France. Sponsors: Commission Européenne Méditerranéenne de Planification des Eaux (C.E.M.P.E.), Société des Eaux de Marseille (S.E.M.), the Bureau des Recherches Géologiques et Minières (B.R.G.M.), Centre de Formation Internationale à la Gestion des Ressources en Eau (CEIFORE), UNESCO, Commission des Communautés Européennes, Association des Hydrologues (A.H.). (Secrétariat de la Conférence, Société des Eaux de Marseille, 25 rue Edouard Belin, 13208 Marseille, France).

May 12-14 Observations and Causes of Seismic Antiquity, Kuznetsov, USSR. (E. M. Chumakov, Institute of Physics of the Earth, Bolshaya Gruzskaya 10, Moscow 12310, USSR).

May 17-22 Fifth International Symposium on Geomorphology, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. Sponsors: SOCSER, COSPAR, IAGA, URSI, U.S. Geological Survey, Geophysical Institute, University of Alaska, Fairbanks, AK 99701.

May 17-22 Symposium on Remote Sensing and



Barfield

Age 40; he has been a member of the AGU since 1968. He is a staff scientist with Southwest Research Institute in San Antonio, Texas. His research interests include magnetospheric substorm dynamics, magnetospheric current systems, and ULF waves in the magnetosphere. He earned his B.A. in physics from Rice University in 1965 and his Ph.D. in planetary and space physics from UCLA in 1972. He was a research physicist with the NOAA Space Environment Laboratory from 1972 to 1979, where he participated in the analysis of Explorer 45 particle data and was responsible for processing of the NOAA magnetometer data bases. Instrumental in the planning of the North American IMS magnetometer data base, he was the IMS data coordinator for NOAA SEL. After 2 years as an independent consultant, he joined Southwest Research Institute, where he has continued his magnetic-field research and has participated in the design of a data processing system for the Dynamics Explorer space plasma data. He has authored or coauthored 29 scientific articles, including 17 in AGU publications. He has served as referee for various journals and as organizer for two international scientific conferences. He has also served as session chairman at several AGU meetings and as an invited speaker at several international symposia. Barfield is presently a member of the National Academy of Sciences Panel on the International Magnetospheric Study (Data Analysis Phase) and is a member of a number of working groups in space physics.

## '82 AGU SPRING MEETING

May 31 - June 4  
Philadelphia

ABSTRACT DEADLINE March 10

Those wishing to participate should contact, by March 31, Edward K. Y. Chen, Director, Centre of Asian Studies, University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong. Statements of intention to attend and offers of papers (with 200-word abstracts) to be presented in English are welcome.

Mineral Exploration, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada.

Sponsor: Committee on Space Research (COSPAR) of the International Committee of Scientific Unions (ICSU). (W. D. Carter, EROS Office, U.S.G.S. (MS 730), Reston, VA 22092.)

May 17-June 3 24th Plenary Meeting of COSPAR, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada (T. W. McGrath, Executive Member, Local Organizing Committee, XXIV COSPAR, Conference Secretariat, National Research Council, Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0R6, Canada).

May 23-26 Eastern Conference on Water and Energy, Technical and Policy Issues, Pittsburgh, Pa. Sponsors: ASCE, League of Women Voters, Council of State Governments (F. Kilpatrick, USGS National Center, Mail Stop 414, Reston, VA 22092).

May 23-27 Second International Conference on Geological Information, Golden, Colo. Sponsors: Geoscience Information Society, Geological Information Group of the Geological Society of London, International Union of Geological Sciences, Association of Geologists of National Geological Surveys, Association of Geoscientists for International Development. (D. C. Ward, International Conference on Geological Information, 223 National Library Building, 1301 West Green Street, Urbana, IL 61801).

May 23-28 Penrose Conference on Tectonic History of the Quaternary, Antofagasta, Chile. Sponsor: GSA. (W. A. Thomas, Department of Geology, University of Alabama, University, AL 35486).

May 24-28 Joint International IEEE/APS Symposium, National Radio Science Meeting, and Nuclear Electromagnetic Pulse Meeting, Albuquerque, N. Mex. Sponsors: IEEE Antennas and Propagation Society, USNC-URSI Commission, National NSM Committee. (K. F. Casey, The Diakonoff Corp., 1613 University Boulevard, N.E., Albuquerque, NM 87102).

May 25-28 Symposium on the Composition of Nonurban Troposphere, Williamsburg, Va. Sponsors: AMS, NASA, AGU. (Jack



Fishman, Mail Stop 401-B, NASA Langley Research Center, Hampton, VA 23665.)

May 28-28 16th Annual Congress and Annual General Meeting of the Canadian Meteorological and Oceanographic Society, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada (Dr Isaac, Cloud Physics Research Division, Atmospheric Environment Service, 4905 Dufferin Street, Downsview, Ontario M3H 5T4 Canada.)

May 31-June 4 AGU Spring Meeting, Philadelphia, Pa (Meetings, AGU, 2000 Florida Ave., N.W., Washington, DC 20009.)

June 7-9 Fourth Canadian Symposium on Mining Surveying and Deformation Measurements, Banff, Alberta, Canada (Sponsors, Shellco Canada, Surveying Engineering, University of Calgary, and the Canadian Association of Geologists Ltd., Suite 300, 1615 10th Avenue S.W., Calgary, Alberta, Canada T3C 0J7.)

June 12-17 International Symposium on Hydro-meteorology, Denver, Colo (Sponsor, American Water Resources Association. (A. I. Johnson, Woodward-Clyde Consultants, 2909 West 7th Avenue, Denver, CO 80204.)

June 14-15 45th Annual Meeting of the American Society of Limnology and Oceanography, Raleigh, N.C (W. Baumister, Business Manager, ASLO, 1530 12th Avenue, Grafton, VT 53024.)

June 15-18 International Conference on Rainwater Cistern Systems, Honolulu, Hawaii. (Sponsors, University of Hawaii's Water Resources Research Center, AGU, and the General Conference Chairman, Water Resources Research Center, Univ. of Hawaii, 2540 Dole Street, Honolulu, HI 96822.)

June 20-25 63rd Annual Meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, Pacific Division, Santa Barbara, Calif. (Sponsors, American Meteorological Society, American Water and Hydroscience Association, Society of AAAS, Pacific Division (A. E. Lewison, Executive Director, AAAS (Pacific Division), California Academy of Sciences, Golden Gate Park, San Francisco, CA 94118.)

June 21-25 11th International Laser Radar Conference, Madison, Wis. (Sponsor, Space Science and Engineering Center, University of Wisconsin (J. Edwards, Conference Coordinator, 11th International Laser Radar Conference, Space Science and Engineering Center, 1225 West Dayton Street, Madison, WI 53706.)

June 27-30 Western Conference on Water and Energy: Technical and Policy Issues, Fort Collins, Colo (Sponsors, ASCE, League of Western Water Council of State Governments, El Matador Stone and Webster Engineering Corp., P.O. Box 5406, Denver, CO 80217.)

June 27-July 2 Fifth International Conference on Geochronology, Cosmochronology, and Isotope Geology, Nikko National Park, Japan (K. Shibata, Geological Survey of Japan, Higashi 1-1-3, Tokyo 163, Japan.)

July 14-18 National Conference on Environmental Engineering, Minneapolis, Minn (Sponsors, American Society of Civil Engineers (Environmental Engineering Division), University of Minnesota Department of Civil and Mineral Engineering, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, Central States Water Pollution Control Association, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, Conference Chairman, Metropolitan Waste Control Commission, 350 Metro Square Building, St. Paul, MN 55101.)

July 19-30 International Association of Hydrological Sciences General Assembly, Exeter, United Kingdom (D. E. Walling, Chairman, Local Organizing Committee, Department of Geography, University of Exeter, Amory Building, Exeter EX4 4RJ, UK.)

July 27-30 Ninth International Symposium on Ur-

ban Hydrology, Hydraulics, and Sediment Control, Lexington, Ky. Sponsors, University of Kentucky's College of Engineering, Office of Continuing Education, Water Resources Institute, (H. J. Storing, Department of Civil Engineering, 206A Anderson Hall, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY 40506-0046.)

Aug. 2-5 Second International Symposium on the Physics and Chemistry of Ice. Rios, Mo. Sponsors, American Physical Society, American Chemical Society, American Meteorological Society, International Commission on Snow and Ice of the International Union of Geologists and Geophysicists (P. L. Plummer, Graduate Center for Fluid Physics Research, 1020 Woodcock Hall, University of South Florida, Lakeland, FL 34601.)

Aug. 2-13 Joint Oceanographic Assembly, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada. Sponsor, Scientific Committee on Oceanic Research, Lord O'Donnell, National Steering Committee for JOA, co Canadian Committee on Oceanography, 240 Sparks St., Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0G6 Canada.

Aug. 6-8 Second International Conference/Workshop on Solar-Terrestrial Influences on Weather and Climate, Boulder, Colo. Sponsors, Lockheed Palo Alto Research Laboratory (Billy M. McCormac, Lockheed Palo Alto Research Laboratory, Dept. 52-13B202, 3251 Hanover Street, Palo Alto, CA 94304.)

Aug. 8-13 Penrose Conference on Origin of Fluvial Models in Petrology and Epithermal Mineral Deposits, Idaho, Colo. Sponsors, GSA, (J. LeAnderson, Department of Geological Engineering, Colorado School of Mines, Golden, CO 80401.)

Aug. 15-20 Penrose Conference on Models of Diagenesis in Clastic Reservoirs, Kuala, Kuala, Hawaii. Sponsor, GSA (J. B. Wood, COFRP, P.O. Box 100, Kauai, HI 96831.)

Aug. 15-21 Fourth International Symposium on Antarctic Earth Sciences, Ingle Farm, South Australia, Australia. Sponsors, Australian Academy of Science, Australian Academy of Technological Sciences, International Union of Geological Sciences, Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research, Geological Society of Australia, Inc., Union of Antarctica, (J. B. Jess, South Australian Institute of Technology, P.O. Box 1, Ingle Farm, South Australia, Australia 5098.)

Aug. 15-22 International Meeting on Generation of Major Deltaic Types, Reykjavik, Iceland. Sponsors, IAVCEI, IAGG, (Bessal Meeting, c/o G. E. Sigvaldason, Nordic Volcanological Institute, 101 Reykjavik, Iceland.)

Aug. 16-22 IAVCEI and IAGG Joint Meeting, Reykjavik, Iceland, (G. E. Sigvaldason, Nordic Volcanological Institute, Union of Iceland, Geosciences Building, 101 Reykjavik, Iceland.)

Aug. 18-18 International Conference on Coal-Fired Power Plants and the Aquatic Environment, Copenhagen, Denmark. Sponsors, International Association of Water Pollution Research, the International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry, Nordic Cooperative Organization for Applied Research, (Dis Congress Service, Linde Alle 48, DK-2720 Copenhagen, Denmark.)

Aug. 22-28 11th International Congress on Sedimentology, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada. Sponsor, IAS, (IAS Congress 1982, Department of Geological Engineering, University, Hamilton, Ontario L8S 4L1, Canada.)

Aug. 22-28 Third Circum-Pacific Energy and Mineral Resources Conference, Honolulu, Hawaii. Sponsor, IUGS, (AAPG Convention Center, P.O. Box 979, Tulsa, OK 74101.)

Aug. 23-27 Second Symposium on Applied Glaciology, Hanover, N.H. Sponsor, International Glaciology Society, Secretary General, International Glaciology Society, Laneland Road, Cambridge CB2 1EF, United Kingdom.)

Aug. 23-27 Ninth Annual Meeting of the European Geophysical Society, in conjunction with the 18th General Assembly of the European Geomorphological Commission, Department of Earth Sciences, (J. C. Briden, Department of Earth Sciences, University of Leeds, Leeds LS2 9JT, England.)

Aug. 25-27 3rd U.S. Symposium on Rock Mechanics, Berkeley, Calif. Sponsors: U.S. National Committee for Rock Mechanics, International Society for Rock Mechanics, University of California. (Organizing Committee, 23rd Rock Mechanics Symposium, c/o Richard E. Goodman, Department of Civil Engineering, 440 Davis Hall, University of California, Berkeley, CA 94720.)

August 28-31 Alfred-Wegener-Conference on Geophysical, Geochemical and Petrological Evidence on Deformation and Composition of the Continental Subcrustal Lithosphere, Bochum, Federal Republic of Germany. (K. Fuchs, Geophysical Institute University, Heilerstr. 16, D-7500 Karlsruhe, Federal Republic of Germany.)

Aug. Sept. 2 International Conference on the Planer and Linear Facies of Deformed Rocks, Zurich, Switzerland. Sponsor, Tectonic Studies Group, ETH, (J. G. Ramsay, Geologisches Institut, ETH-Zentrum, CH-8092 Zurich, Switzerland.)

Sept. 3-11 Fourth World Congress on Water Resources, Buenos Aires, Argentina. Sponsors: International Water Resources Association, (G. E. Smith, President of the U.S. Geographical Committee, Water Resources Center, University of Illinois, 2535 Hydrocystems Laboratory, 208 N. Rockina, Urbana, IL 61801.)

Sept. 13-16 46th Annual Meeting of the Meteoritical Society, St. Louis, Mo. (G. Crooz, Washington University, Box 1105, St. Louis, MO 63103.)

Sept. 20-22 Ocean '82 Conference and Exhibition, Houston, Texas. Sponsors: Marine Technology Society, Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers Council on Oceanic Engineering. (Oceanic '82 Technical Program Chairman, 1730 M Street, N.W., Suite 412, Washington, D.C. 20036.)

Sept. Third International Kimberites Conference, Clermont-Ferrand, France. (Françoise Boudier, Université de Nantes, Laboratoire de Tectonique Physique, 2 Rue de la Houssinière, 44072 Nantes, France.)

May or Sept. Scientific Meeting of IAPSO, Halifax, Canada. (E. C. LaFond, LaFond Oceanic Consultants, P.O. Box 7325, San Diego, CA 92017.)

Oct. 4-8 International Symposium on Polders of the World, Agor, Lelystad, The Netherlands. Sponsors, Department of Civil Engineering of the Delft University of Technology, Commission on Hydrological Research of the Netherlands Organization of Applied Scientific Research, the Landsmeasures Development Authority, the Society for Waterworks and Land Use Planning. (I. H. Wijkse, Information Centre 'New Land', Oostvaardersdijk 01-13, 8242 PA Lelystad, The Netherlands.)

Oct. 1981 GSA Annual Meeting, New Orleans, La. (J. M. Lattupole, Meetings Department, GSA, P.O. Box 9140, Boulder, CO 80301.)

Dec. 6-10 AGU Fall Meeting, San Francisco, Calif. (Meetings, AGU, 2000 Florida Ave., N.W., Washington, DC 20009.)

forming Engineering, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY 14853)

July 18-23 1978 14th International Conference on Permafrost, Fairbanks, Alaska. Sponsor, National Academy of Sciences, State of Alaska, Lt. De Gooz, Polar Research Board, National Academy of Sciences, 2101 Constitution Ave., N.W., Washington, DC 20418.

Aug. 15-26 19th General Assembly of IUGG, Hamburg, Federal Republic of Germany. (P. Melcher, Observatoire Royal de Belgique, Avenue Circulaire 3, B-1180 Brussels, Belgium.)

Aug. 27 Symposium Commemorating the 100th Anniversary of the Mount Krakatau Eruption, Jakarta, Indonesia. Sponsor, Indonesian Institute of Sciences, (Dlidan Sastrapadja, Deputy Chairman for Natural Sciences, L1P1 JL, Teuku Chik Dito 43, Jakarta, Indonesia.)

Sept. 12-14 19th National Water Well Association 35th Annual Convention and Exposition, St. Louis, Mo. (NWWA, 500 West Wilson Bridge Rd., Worthington, OH 43085.)

Oct. 31-Nov. 3 AGS Annual Meeting, Indianapolis, Ind. (J. M. Latulippe, Meetings Department, GSA, P.O. Box 9140, Boulder, CO 80301.)

Dec. 5-9 AGU Fall Meeting, San Francisco, Calif. (Meetings, AGU, 2000 Florida Ave., N.W., Washington, DC 20009.)

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July 21-28 Eighth World Conference on Earthquake Engineering, San Francisco, Calif. Sponsor, Earthquake Engineering Research Institute (R. B. Matthews, Chalk-8WCEE, EERI, 2620 Telegraph Avenue, Berkeley, CA 94704.)

**FUTURE AGU MEETINGS**

**Fall Meetings**

December 8-10, 1982, San Francisco

December 5-9, 1983, San Francisco

**Spring Meetings**

May 31-June 4, 1982, Philadelphia

AAPG American Association of Petroleum Geologists  
AMS American Meteorological Society  
ASCE American Society of Chemical Engineers  
GSA Geological Society of America  
IGA International Association of Geodesy  
IAG International Association of Geomagnetism and Aeronomy  
IAHS International Association for Hydrological Sciences  
IMAP International Association of Meteorology and Atmospheric Physics  
IPSO International Association of Physical Sciences of the Ocean  
IASP International Association of Seismology and Physics of the Earth's Interior  
IAVCEI International Association of Volcanology and Chemistry of the Earth's Interior  
IUGS International Union of Geological Sciences  
IWR International Water Resources Association  
MSA Mineralogical Society of America  
SEG Society of Exploration Geophysicists  
SEPM Society of Economic Paleontologists and Mineralogists  
URSI International Union of Radio Science

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**5540 Ion densities and temperatures OBSERVATION OF THE DIURNAL DEPENDENCE OF THE HIGH-LATITUDE F-REGION ION DENSITY BY DRIFT SATELLITES**  
J.J. Sojka (Center for Atmospheric and Space Sciences, Utah State University, Logan, Utah 84322), W.J. Raitt, R.M. Schum, F.O. Rich, R.C. Segalim  
Data from the IMP-72 and F4 satellites for the period December 5-10, 1976 have been used to study the diurnal dependence of the high-latitude ion density at 600 km altitude. A 24 hour periodicity in the minimum orbital velocity (MOV) during a crossing of the high-latitude region is observed in both the winter and summer hemispheres. The phase of the variation is such that it has a minimum during the 24 period between 0700 and 0900 UT. Both the term variation of the high-latitude ion density on a time scale of days, and the drift by ionospheric variations at the same geomagnetic location in the northern (winter) hemisphere for the magnetically quiet time period chosen show good

qualitative agreement with the diurnal dependence predicted by a theoretical model of the ionospheric density at high latitudes under conditions of low convection speeds; I. G. Zhurav, *Izv. Akad. Nauk SSSR*, 1978, No. 10, p. 1818.

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## Particles and Fields—Magnetosphere

**3705** Low shock waves  
**CARACTERISTICS OF THE KIP HAWK ASSOCIATED WITH  
UTZAKEN ION FLARE**  
M.A. Hoppe (Inst. of Geophysics, University  
of California, Los Angeles, CA 90024), C.T. Pao (U.S.  
N.R.C., Boulder, CO 80502), J.L. Breen,  
T.J. Eastman and L.M. French  
This report describes a new class of upstream  
waves with relatively low frequencies ( $\sim 10$  Hz) in  
the spacecraft frame of reference and small ampli-  
tudes ( $< 1\%$ ; peak-to-peak). They are associated with  
the most common larger amplitude ( $\sim 4\% - 10\%$ ) low fre-  
quency ( $\sim 0.1$  MHz) upstream waves. These waves were  
first noted in association with beams of ions re-  
flected back upstream at the bow shock, appearing  
in close association with large-scale fluctuations in  
the beam. Further work confirms the association of  
the waves with the beam; the presence of a beam  
appears to be a necessary condition for the ob-  
servation of the waves. The present results suggest  
that the waves may play a role in providing the  
most efficient condition by which the beam is

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(13) Regular World Day (RWD)

(14) Priority Regular World Day (PRWD)

(18) Quarterly World Day (QWD)  
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| 2. Regular Geophysical Day (RGD)                                | 25. Day of Solar Eclipse  |
| 9-10. World Geophysical Interval (WGI)                          | 14-15. Anglow and Aurora Period   |
| 3. Day with unusual meteor shower activity, Northern Hemisphere | 20*. Dark Moon Geophysical Day (DMGD)   |
| 5. Day with unusual meteor shower activity, Southern Hemisphere | 20*. Incoherent Scatter Coordinated Observation Day and Coordinated Tidal Observation Day |

- NOTES:
1. An Alpine Experiment (ALPEX), of the WMO/IGSU World Climate Research Program, continues from 1 January 1982 through 30 September 1982.
  2. Post-SMY STIP INTERVAL XIII (started 1 December 1981) runs through 31 January 1982; and STIP INTERVAL XIV to 20 May through 20 July 1982.
  3. Middle Atmosphere Program (MAP) begins 1 January 1982 and runs through 1985.

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## Meteorology

3710 Boundary layer structure and processes  
TRANSIENT RADIATIVE IMPEDANCES OF CLOUDLESS CLOUDS  
AND SURFACE TEMPERATURE AND HUMIDITY  
S. G. Bradley (Institute of Cloud Physics, CSIRO,  
Sydney, Australia)  
Most cloud solutions are usually  
considered for radiative forcing of surface  
temperatures. In this paper short-time solutions,  
including radiative and convective impedances,  
and cloud motion, are described for both land  
and ocean surfaces. The short-time approximation  
describes surface temperature and humidity  
of seaable and latent heat fluxes independent  
of atmospheric cloud cover. The theory  
suggests the ocean skin temperature will have  
a maximum increase after sunset and will follow  
rather a decreased long-wave flux.  
The theory is supported by results from air-  
borne remote sensing of cloud cover and  
clouds. Over the land reduced thermal inertia  
values agree closely with those predicted from  
radiation data.  
Thermal data indicate that the thickness of a  
viscous layer thickness to be estimated which  
is in agreement with previous direct findings.  
The model is compared to observations of  
cloud-radiated radiative forcing to significant  
and should be considered in boundary layer models  
and the troposphere.  
The model is compared to observations of  
surface temperature, thermal inertia, ocean  
viscosity layers.  
J. Murphy, Los Angeles, Paper IC173A

3710 Boundary layer structures and processes  
MODIFICATION OF KENO'S FORMULAS ON THE EFFECT  
TRANSFER CHARACTERISTICS OF TURBULENCE FLUXES OVER  
A PLATE  
N. Yamada (Geophysical Institute, Faculty of  
Science, Tohoku University, Sendai 980, Japan)  
The turbulent fluxes are calculated by the  
method of turbulent fluxes over the wide area of  
ocean because the fluxes are attenuated only by  
the small amount of water vapor and the mean  
wind speed, the air temperature, the humidity  
and the sea surface temperature and the accuracy  
of the method is confirmed by numerical calculation.  
Particularly, a method presented by Zondol  
Boundary-Layer Meteor., Vol.9, p.41-52, 1975) is  
used to calculate the turbulent fluxes.  
In the present work, the formula of the

## Particles and Fields— Interplanetary Space

3240 Shock waves  
TEST PARTICLE STUDY OF LAMDA DAMPING OF  
STEPPING MAGNETOSPHERIC WAVES  
Y. Hasegawa ( Radio Atmospheric Science Center,  
Kyoto University, Uji, Kyoto 611, Japan), A.  
James  
A test particle study of Landau damping of  
stepping large-amplitude magnetospheric waves  
is carried out. Notions of test particles

## Particles and Fields— Ionosphere

**3503 Airglow**  
**SPECTROSCOPY OF THE EXTREME ULTRAVIOLET DAYGLOW**  
DURING SOLAR MAXIMUM CONDITIONS  
P. C. Centon (NASA/Goddard Space Flight Center,  
Greenbelt, Maryland, 20721), P. D. Feldman,  
J. R. East and G. A. Christensen  
Decrease ultraviolet spectra of the dayglow at-  
mosphere in the range 330 to 1500 Å were obtained at  
1.9 Å resolution from a rocket experiment launched  
27 June 1980 from 6000 m. The launch occurred near  
the period of peak solar cycle 21 activity.  
A limb viewing geometry was utilized to enhance  
the intensity of molecular nitrogen emissions.  
Molecules of the previously observed extremely  
continuous emission between 800 and 1200 Å are found  
to consist of N<sub>2</sub>. A number of weak bands of  
molecular nitrogen singlet states have also been  
identified. A comparison of the observed change  
in intensity in several B<sup>1</sup> and D<sup>1</sup> systems  
between January 1979 and March 1980 indicates  
that at 230 nm (1) the atomic nitrogen density  
has increased in mean as a factor of three  
(2) the H<sub>β</sub> Ly α flux has decreased by a factor of  
three. These changes may reflect variations in  
whereas the integrated photoelectron flux between  
10 and 50 eV has remained unchanged. (Airglow,  
Extreme ultraviolet spectral).  
Geophysics Res. Lett., Paper 81L122

**3510 Airglow**  
**RADAR AEROSOL OBSERVATIONS DURING A BURST**  
**OF THERMAL MAGNETIC POLARIZATION**  
R. Holte (University of Tromsø, Norway; By Arneveien  
2411 Kvernberga-Lindens 13, F.R.G.), S. Mieslen,  
J. Holten, A. Espeland, J.A. Chivers  
The observations of radar echoes from ionospheric  
are compared with concurrent RADAR radar obser-  
vations from the E-region show the station  
during a minimum event. The radar echoes are  
by a minimum burst of thermal polarization (PI)  
accompanied by abrupt intensifications in the  
equivalent current, the backscatter coefficient  
and the electron density. The radar echo PI  
polarization component have a reasonable degree  
of correlation and the polarization position  
angle is constant. The radar echoes exhibit well  
defined changes during the first few minutes of  
each wave. The field signal undergoes deep quasi-  
periodic fading which is clearly correlated with  
oscillations in the equivalent current. The  
oscillation frequency is about 0.5 Hz. The radar Doppler

Model predictions of the locations of electric-field reversal agree well with the OGO-6 satellite observations. The model agrees with S3-2 data from September 19, 1962. It is important to note that the model is not sensitive to the choice of the initial conditions.

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current.  
The heating of the upper atmosphere  
is inferred from calculations of the  
fields in the high-latitude region  
near the North Pole. It was found that  
the heating rate was about  $2 \times 10^{11}$   
ergs per cubic centimeter per second  
for the maximum estimated for the lower-  
latitude region (see below). Model values  
of the strength of the electric field  
and the heating rate agree to within a  
factor of 2 with a simple downward  
conductivity band. Flowing into the  
ionospheric currents. The electric  
currents, Whistler currents.)  
J. Geophys. Res., Blue, Paper LA4701

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NOTES:

1. An Alpine Expedition through 30 September
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